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# Birds get final say over plans for straw plant

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CONTENTIOUS plans to build a large straw pelletising plant in Ely are being recommended for approval – but only if the applicants can prove the development will not have too much of an impact on bitterns breeding nearby.

East Cambridgeshire District Council's planning committee will meet next Wednesday to discuss Pelco Distribution's plans to build the plant on land south-west of The Potter Group premises in Queen Adelaide Way.

Residents and organisations have raised numerous concerns, including pollution, noise and extra HGV traffic in Ely and the surrounding villages.

However, it is the impact the plant – which would be 100m long and have a tower 47m high – could have on Ely's conservation area, including the adjacent Roswell Pits, which is causing planners the most concern, and in particular the effects it could have on the bitterns in the reedbeds there.

**CONCERN: The bittern**

According to the RSPB, the bittern is a Red List species – one of the most threatened in the UK – and both the Cambridgeshire Wildlife Trust and Ely Wildspace group have raised concerns.

The council's senior planning officer, Rebecca Saunt, is recommending that members "delegate the approval of the application to the planning manager, subject to further investigation of the impacts on booming bittern and subject to the draft recommended conditions".

If approved, Pelco Distribution says that over the course of a year the plant would process around 150,000 tonnes of wheat and oil seed rape straw gathered from farms within a 50-mile radius.

Baled straw would be delivered to the site by HGVs before being converted into pellets and transported by rail to renewable energy plants across the region.

Concerns have also been raised about the effect the plant could have on views of Ely Cathedral but planners insist the public benefits, mainly the creation of jobs, outweigh the impact.

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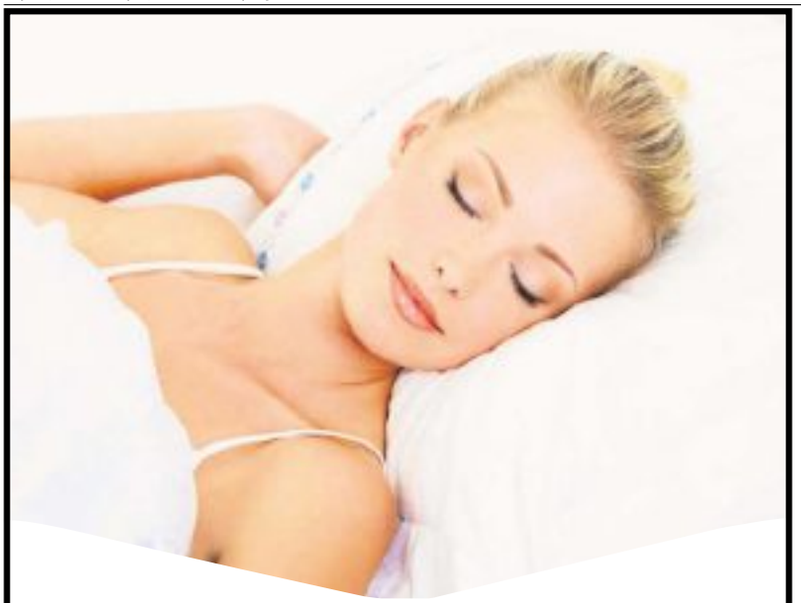

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CAMPAIGN

# Phoebe's bed is installed!

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AN autistic toddler is finally able to get the good night's sleep she needs – thanks to an army of support from local residents, businesses and organisations.

A story about Gemma and Chris Matthews' fundraising campaign only appeared in *Ely News* on May 14 and just eight weeks later they had raised the £5,844 they needed to buy a specialist 'safe and sound' bed for their daughter, Phoebe, who was diagnosed with autism in February.

Last Thursday, the bed was fitted in three-year-old Phoebe's bedroom at their home in St Andrews Close, Sutton, and her parents say the difference the bed has made already is "amazing".

Gemma, 30, said: "We can't thank everyone enough for making this happen.

"We did as much fundraising as we could but without the support of the local shops, businesses, clubs, charities and people, many of whom we have never even met, we would have never been in a position to buy the bed.

"The donations we received were overwhelming and when the story appeared in the *Ely News* and *Cambridge News* it really helped.

"Phoebe's new bed has made a massive difference already; it's amazing.

"In her old bed, Phoebe didn't sleep at all well. Her main sleep was between 7pm and 11pm. She was then awake every hour until 3am when she was then up for the day.

"Chris and I were having to sleep alternate nights on Phoebe's bedroom floor as she has no awareness of danger so she used to throw herself off her bed.

"We also had to fit crash mats to her bedroom walls as she was headbutting them in her sleep. We were never able to relax as we were always worried she was going to harm herself during the night.

"This bed enables her to sleep in a bed that is 100 per cent safe.

"She is now sleeping from 7pm right the way through to 5am, which is just unheard of for her, so the difference it has made to us as a family is huge."

Gemma and Chris, who also have an autistic son, Samuel, 4, had to give up their taxi business in 2013 to care for their children.

The Central England Co-operative store in Wisbech Road, Littleport, has also donated £1,765 to enable the couple to buy a specialist travel bed for Phoebe, which means she will also now be able to enjoy overnight stays with her grandparents.

**GRATEFUL: Gemma and Chris Matthews pictured with Phoebe's new 'safe and sound' bed.**

EDUCATION

## Rotary's gesture

PUPILS can check and check again when it comes to their spelling thanks to the Rotary Club of Ely.

John Dennick, the club's president, and Viv Doji, chairman of the club's vocational and youth committee, attended two Year 6 leavers' assemblies at Ely's Lantern Primary School and presented 60 dictionaries4Life to pupils who will be starting secondary school in September.

The dictionaries were funded by the vocational committee, who raised the money by holding raffles and tombolas over the past year.

The club hopes to be able to distribute 120 Dictionaries4Life next year.

RIVERSIDE

## Mooring changes

**NEW mooring arrangements are being introduced to Ely's Riverside.**

**As of Monday September 7, boaters will be allowed to moor for free for 48 hours, but with no return for 48 hours.**

**If anyone stays longer or returns before 48 hours has elapsed they will be issued with a Mooring Charge Notice of £100 per 24 hour stay. This is reduced to £70 if the charge is paid within 14 days.**

**If the charge is not paid within 28 days, East Cambs District Council will commence debt recovery action (including court action) which will incur further costs.**

**The council says the new rules are to allow more boaters to visit Ely.**

CRIME

# Teenagers, 13 and 18, arrested following attack in Sutton

**A 13-YEAR-OLD boy and an 18-year-old man have been arrested and bailed in connection with an attack which left a 16-year-old boy with injuries.**

**Emergency services, including the East Anglian Air Ambulance, were called to the incident in The Brook, Sutton, at around 5.30pm on Tuesday.**

**The boy, who is from the village, was taken by the air ambulance to Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge.**

**He was described as having "severe head injuries" at first but following examination, police say he received treatment for injuries to one of his ears.**

**The boy and the man were arrested on Tuesday and have now been bailed by police to return to Parkside police station in Cambridge on August 12.**

**A police spokeswoman confirmed on Wednesday morning that the victim had returned home.**

**Call 101 with any information.**

# Blooming great task for judges

JUDGING for this year's Ely in Bloom competition took place this week.

Members of the City of Ely Council's Ely in Bloom working group and a team of local volunteers grabbed their clipboards and cast their eye along the city's streets and around Ely's communal areas on Monday.

There are four categories this year – best pub display, best restaurant display, best community garden display and best open spaces display.

Ely's ambulance station was the overall winner of the competition in 2014.

The winner's of Ely in Bloom 2015 will be announced at an awards presentation later this year.

**FLORAL FRIENDS:** The Ely in Bloom judges pictured before they set off on their rounds on Monday.

CRIME

# Man caught selling £4k illegal goods from his car

A MAN caught selling almost £4,000 worth of smuggled cigarettes, vodka and beer has avoided a jail sentence.

Damian Trojak, 26, of Woodfen Road, Littleport, was caught selling the illegal items from his car at a farm near Ely by HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) officers.

Officers found he had 9,980 cigarettes, 56.3 litres of vodka and 546 litres of beer in his car.

The total excise duty due on the goods seized is estimated as £3,614.

Trojak was charged with being fraudulently concerned in the evasion of duty and was sentenced to a six-month suspended prison sentence, plus 240 hours of community service, at Cambridge Crown Court on Friday.

Maddy Ratnett, from HMRC, said: "Selling smuggled alcohol and tobacco goods without paying the duty is fraud.

"This criminal activity damages not only the UK economy but the livelihoods of local shop keepers.

"If you know of anyone peddling these illegal goods please report them on our 24 hour hotline 0800 59 5000."

COLLISION

# Tractor hits house – again

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A GARAGE owner has described his shock after a tractor crashed into a house he owns for the second time in less than four years.

A tractor towing a trailer carrying maize ploughed into the house next to Wilburton Garage in the High Street on Sunday morning.

The property is owned by Karen and David Coupland, who rent it out. They were away at the time.

Police said the driver of the tractor, a 26-year-old man from Ely, was arrested at the scene on suspicion of drink driving, but was later released with no further action.

A spokeswoman for Pretoria Energy Company Ltd said the tractor was transporting maize to one of their anaerobic digester plants – but that it was being driven by a third party firm contracted by their company.

Mr Coupland said: "Karen and I were away for the weekend on the Lincolnshire coast so we had to pack everything up and rush back.

**CRASH: A tractor and trailer crashed into this house in Wilburton for the second time in less than four years.**

"It's just unbelievable to think it's happened again. The impact of the collision has gone through the whole property."

The first collision happened in January 2011 and Mr and Mrs Coupland's daughter, Lisa, and her partner, Stuart Loton, were left homeless.

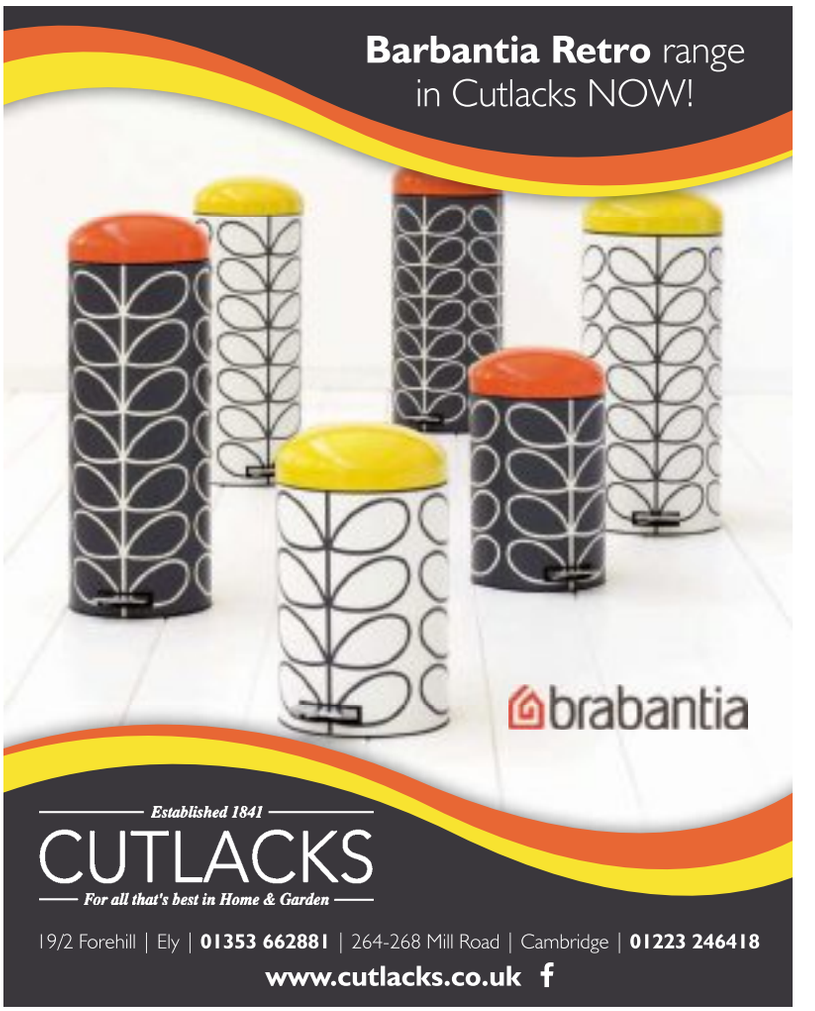
Mr Coupland said: "It took us 19 months to repair the house properly following the last crash so goodness knows how long it will take this time.

"Structural engineers have been out and the guy who rents the property from us, who was out at work at the time, says he will remain there for as long as he can as it's such a lot of hassle having to put everything into storage."

The collision has sparked fresh calls for the speed limit through Wilburton and surrounding villages to be reduced.

However, the Pretoria Energy Company spokeswoman and a spokesman for Cambridgeshire police both confirmed that a tracking device on the tractor showed the vehicle was not speeding when the crash happened.

A spokesman for Cambridgeshire County Council said: "People are generally heeding our advice to drive appropriately and to the conditions as in the past three years there have been just three collisions on this section of the A1123."



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BUSINESS

# Elaine retires after 45 years

NEW HANDS: Elaine with Natasha Chambers, who will take over the business

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A DOG groomer has hung up her clippers after almost five decades doing the job she loves.

Elaine Power retired on Saturday after running her business, Elaine's Grooming, in the Ely area for the last 45 years.

Pooch-mad Elaine, who lives with her husband, Colin in Queen Adelaide, has handed the business over to Natasha Chambers, 18, who she has been training during the last 16 months.

Natasha will be running the business, now called North Fen Grooming, from her home in North Fen, Little Downham.

Elaine, 61, said: "I think I groomed my first dog when I was around nine years old.

"My mum, Sylvia Cole, ran Yappy Kennels in Little Downham before we moved them to Littleport so I was always around dogs.

"The first dog I groomed was a Lassie-type collie, who I think was called Trixie, and I was always washing the strays that were brought into the kennels.

"When I left school I was trained in dog grooming by a lady called Mrs Ogden, from March, who was a poodle breeder and exhibitor, and I started my business up when I was aged 16.

"I've worked all over the Ely area – in Littleport, in Little Downham, in a shop in Forehill, Ely – and it's been a fantastic 45 years.

"Many customers have brought their dogs to me for over 30 years and I've made some fantastic friends.

"I don't just love dogs, I love people too so it's been perfect for me, and I've groomed thousands and thousands of dogs over the years.

"One couple even used to make the four and a half hour trip from Bognor Regis to Ely on a regular basis just so that I could groom their three dogs for them.

"They used to live in London but even when they moved to Bognor Regis they continued to bring their dogs to me.

"I also remember the tallest dog I ever groomed, which was a lovely Irish Wolfhound."

Elaine, who has three children, said: "I retired on Saturday and it was an emotional day.

"I think it's going to take quite a while for me to get used to it but it's time to give my hands and wrists a rest and spend more time with my family, including my many grandchildren.

"I've spent the last 16 months training Natasha and I have every faith in her.

"She's talented and I'll be here to support her all the way and give her any guidance that she needs, and I wish her all the best.

"I'd like to thank all my customers for the amazing support they have given me over the years.

"Like everyone does, I've certainly had my ups and downs in life, and many of my customers have experienced those with me."

COURT

## Man threatened police with cleaver

**A MAN threatened police officers with a meat cleaver and baseball bat while at a house in Soham.**

**William Parker, 26, of London Road, Downham Market, waved the weapons, shouted profanities and had to be tasered by officers during the incident on April 10.**

**Cambridge Magistrates' Court heard how there were two women and several young children in the house at the time.**

**Parker pleaded guilty to using threatening, abusive, insulting words or behaviour last month and was given a 12 month community order with 80 hours unpaid work last week.**

**Jacqui Baldwin, mitigating, said his actions had been fuelled by mental health problems.**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# Portable toilets to go on trial in Ely's country park

**PORTABLE toilets have been installed in Ely's country park.**

**East Cambridgeshire District Council has arranged for the three units (male, female and baby changing/disabled) to be sited there for a trial period from now until September to cover the school summer holidays.**

**The council says the decision follows recent consultation where people who use the park said toilets were the number one thing they would like to see installed.**

**The toilets will be cleaned and stocked daily by an external cleaning company and will be open between 8am and 6pm.**

**The facilities will be covered by a CCTV system which also covers the play and picnic area, and surrounding area.**

**The trial forms part of the Ely Country Park Improvement Plan 2015-17 which will also focus on access improvements and seating provision in the popular beauty spot and recreation area.**

## Fun day in Mepal is a hit for all

MEPAL Outdoor Centre was the place to be on Saturday.

Around 350 people flocked there for a family fun day, held as part of OuseFest 2015.

Activities included an RSPB scavenger hunt, a mosaic workshop with Carolyn Ash, the chance to dissect a pellet with the Barn Owl Conservation Network and storytelling by Michael Rouse.

There was also a trust trail to follow, high ropes, a climbing wall, the chance to dress up in traditional costumes with the Rosmini Centre and traditional Molly dancing by Mepal and Witcham Primary School.

OuseFest is running until Sunday. Visit ousewashes.org.uk/ousefest.

**OUTDOOR FUN:** Far left: Elijah Goodkind, 5, and sister Joella, 4, have fun with sand and water. **LEFT:** Tom Hewitt, 12, and Kristen Gray have a go at the high ropes.

More pictures online at ely-news.co.uk

NEWS IN BRIEF

## Appeal to find Soham man's next of kin

THE coroner's office is appealing for help in tracing relatives of a Soham resident called David Brown.

Mr Brown, of Clay Street, died on July 17, aged 69.

Anyone with any knowledge of his next of kin should call the coroner's office on 0345 045 1364.

## Learn more about Ely's Riverside area

ENJOY a guided walk around Ely and along its Riverside on Sunday.

It starts at Oliver Cromwell House at 11.30am, will last around an hour and a half, and costs £4. Call (01353) 662062.

## Plans for new home

A NEW home could be built in Mepal. Mr and Mrs K Ardley have applied to the district council for planning permission to build a new dwelling on land adjacent to their home in Bridge Road.

A decision is expected within eight weeks.

Visit eastcambs.gov.uk to have your say.

COURT

# Taxi driver left woman alone on the roadside

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A TAXI driver who left a woman alone on the side of a country road near Ely in the middle of the night has had his appeal against his licence suspension dismissed.

Mark Cooney, who runs the 'Spotted in Ely' Facebook page, had his taxi licence suspended by East Cambs District Council (ECDC) following the incident in the early hours of February 15.

Maggie Camp, on behalf of the council, explained Mr Cooney, 44, picked up a group of three women from the Market Street taxi rank in Ely at about 1.20am.

After dropping off two of them in High Barns, Ely, he then proceeded on the journey with the third woman, who he'd had contact with previously on social media.

However after a disagreement Mr Cooney, of Brewhouse Lane, Soham, asked her to leave the vehicle in Chettisham.

The court heard the woman, who had been drinking, had questioned what would happen if someone didn't pay for a taxi and had also made comments about a photograph which had been posted on Facebook.

Ms Camp said ECDC's taxi licencing sub-committee suspended Mr Cooney's joint hackney carriage and private hire licence on April 17.

She added: "Mr Cooney could have refused to take [her] but instead he took the chance to exact some revenge on her and her family by way of his employment. He has not since apologised or expressed remorse for what he did."

However Mr Cooney, who was working for A10 Taxis at the time, said he had been subjected to a "barrage" of questions in the taxi which became more aggressive.

He added the woman's line of questioning also led him to believe he would not be paid for the journey.

Mr Cooney, who represented himself in court, said: "The volume got louder and eventually I didn't think it was safe to carry on with the journey.

"This was a one-off isolated case involving a family I have been involved with in the past who wanted to tarnish my good name."

The passenger countered these claims and said she had been left about a mile from her boyfriend's house.

Lead magistrate, Christine Shaw, said the bench did not accept it was a deliberate or targeted attack, but believed Mr Cooney's actions showed a "lack of judgement" and they dismissed his appeal.

She added: "You left a young woman in a country area at 1.30am and you didn't take any steps to ensure her safety."

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## Free parking? How absurd...

FROM Cardigan in West Wales comes a story that's entirely relevant to Ely. Vandals, it seems, targeted the town's four ticket Pay and Display machines. The hierarchy said they must be replaced, at a cost of some £25,000.
But look, business on the town's ancient High Street increased, not just infinitesimally but in leaps and bounds: one local butcher pointed to a 50% upsurge in moneys through his till.
Folk were more casual of course and they were finding time to browse. Browsing led to buying, and buying led to happy independent retailers.
Why, they said, should the off-piste free parking national supermarkets gain when the town centre had to suffer the charges of the costs of parking?
But wiser heads said that wanton vandalism could not be condoned, that the money could and would be found to replace the sticky ticket machines. Silly retailers.
More business? A livelier town centre? A tribute to what could happen if suddenly there were no parking charges? No no no. Be reasonable.
By the time this letter is read workmen will be concreting home those new sticky ticket machines.
And what price a bustling High Street?
Shh… Maybe no-one will notice.
**Mr Simms Olde Sweet Shoppe**
**Coronation Parade**
**High Street**
**Ely**

## If they pay, then they're welcome

THERE were two letters (July 23rd) in response to my own of the previous week.
Please don't use the old Left Wing ploy of insulting my intelligence by implying my information comes from the tabloid press as I rarely read newspapers.
My figures came from Whitakers Almanack and various BBC news type programmes.
The BBC is pretty left wing, so unlikely to be inaccurate about PC matters.
My point was mainly about the EU populations per sq km and according to the World Bank we have the highest of the main countries and I suggest you look them up.
To imply that I am against anyone coming here to work and pay taxes is false and somewhat offensive.
Our NHS would fold without the contributions made by foreign nationals and I had some interesting conversations with quite a few excellent nurses while in Addenbrooke's.
They too were concerned by the number who come here and do not work or contribute.
I suggest Messrs Walton and Semmens take a walk down Ely, Newmarket and Soham High Streets and then you may understand what my concerns are.
I would like to know why you think so many are demanding to come to the UK when they have gone through a number of free democratic countries.
Presumably you are fine with so many foreign nationals abusing our hospitality and then not being deported as happens elsewhere.
I repeat, were all those who come here and get housing and welfare from the outset denied, then we would be in a better position to take in the genuinely needy and deserving as we have done so generously consistently longer than most other countries.
By the way, I hardly call having a debt of over a trillion pounds being wealthy.
**D Donald**
**Soham**

## School raises £896 for hospice

**PUPILS at Wilburton Primary School put their best foot forward to raise funds for East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH).**
**The school's first ever St Peter's Day Sponsored Walk raised £896 for the charity and saw students completing a rural walk ending at St Peter's Church.**
**Shirley Scott, a member of EACH's Ely Friends Group, visited the school's celebration assembly last Wednesday to receive the money and present a participation certificate to each child.**
**Hannah Reynolds, chair of the Wilburton School Association said: "Our first St Peter's Day Sponsored Walk was a wonderful experience.**
**"The children took part in the walk with real enthusiasm and have made us proud by putting in such a splendid effort to raise money for this great cause."**
**Lucy Glover, a Cambridgeshire fundraiser for EACH, said: "We'd like to say a big thank you to the PTA at Wilburton Primary School and everyone who took part in their sponsored walk for raising this impressive sum in aid of EACH.**
**"EACH cares for young people with life-threatening conditions across Cambridgeshire and supports their families. This money will go towards continuing these vital services."**

## No traffic – just lots of sirens

MR Hanscomb made some excellent observations last week. This Sunday the first siren shattered the stillness of Ely at 8.20am.
No traffic on the roads, just an emergency vehicle screaming through the quiet of Ely.
The next blast was at 8.44, then 9.30,10.28 and so on throughout the morning.
No doubt your pages will be full of the carnage and crime which took place in and around Ely on Sunday morning leading to such frenetic emergency activity.
**Mark Irving**
**Egremont Street**
**Ely**

## My dad's story was different

WHILST I do not decry the reminiscences Brian Mitchell heard from his grandfather I spent a lot of time by my father's hospital bedside in his last weeks. The picture he painted of his wartime service was very different. Those conversations and others with ex RAF Personel over my working career, form the basis of this response.
I feel I should remind your readers that the RAF did not bomb the town of Guernica in April 1937, nor did they bomb Warsaw in September 1939.
The first was the regional Basque Capital in Spain devoid of legitimate targets but a civilian centre bombed by the Luftwaffe in the guise of the German Condor legion. The second was also a mainly civilian target the Germans bombed during the Polish Invasion which had initiated the Second World War.
With slightly more legitimacy the Luftwaffe bombed Rotterdam May1940 and commenced bombing Cities and towns in the UK in the Battle of Britain.
When they lost that the Luftwaffe commenced the Bombing of Coventry on 14 November 1940 on the direct order of Hitler.
The raid was continuous for, I believe my father said 14 hours, concentrating mainly on the civilian centre rather than the factories on the outskirts.
An RAF Firefighter, dad spent days off base assisting the civilian brigades. extinguishing fires and rescuing people from their homes. Back on base it was releasing airmen trapped in their aircraft following crash landings.
Serving with the 2nd TAF towards the end of the war, he was called to a fire at Eisenhower's Headquarters during the Battle of the Bulge, managing to preserve the General's Communications with the field, for which action together with another crew led by Reginald Wright of Cambridge, they were mentioned in despatches.
At the end of the war he was involved in the rebuilding of the local German fire brigades, before discharge.
I do not know who ordered the RAF to take their gloves off and Fight a

## Letters of the month

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Total War as the Germans did, but Harris certainly took the blame with "Bomber Command " only being officially recognised in recent years, but dismissing them all as "Chinless Wonders and Hooray Henrys" is a grave slur on brave men who at the time were the only force we had able to strike back against Hitler's Germany.
I'll take my fathers word against that of a Russian Spy and revisionist historians every time and continue to support the RAF Benevolent Fund and the other forces charities.
**Colin Lowes**
**Granta Close**
**Witchford**

## Get up and do it yourself!

I AM irritated to read yet another story of people complaining that the council is slow in performing a relatively simple DIY task; in this case replacing a fence panel.
I was raised in a council house and we would have been embarrassed to ask someone to perform such a simple task.
We were all too aware that we were living in subsidised housing and would have got out of our deck chairs, bought a fence panel and replaced it ourselves.
It costs about £20 for a 6ft x 6ft fence panel, less than the cost of the deck chairs they are sitting in.
**Robin Pearl**
**Lawns Crescent**
**Little Downham**

## Don't fall for fraudsters

MANY honest businesses use doorstep selling – but so do fraudsters.
Bogus tradesman, door-to-door sales or doorstep fraud involves criminals trying to scam residents after knocking at your door. It can take many forms – pressure selling, unfair contracts, overpriced or substandard home maintenance, phony consumer surveys or bogus charity collections.
Buying on your doorstep can be convenient. However, a doorstep seller who uses clever tactics can pressurise someone into buying something they don't actually want or that's poor value for money. Don't be rushed. If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably is.
To help where cold calling has been a particular problem, the Council works with the police and with parish councils and local residents to help them set up a 'No Cold Calling Zones' in their street or neighbourhood.
If you think your neighbourhood would benefit from a No Cold Calling Zone and you are willing to co-ordinate that for your area, please contact 0345 045 5206 or trading.standards@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
This is the final week of Scam Awareness Month and residents are urged to remain wary. For further advice contact the Citizens Advice Consumer service, 08454 04 05 06.
**Aileen Andrews**
**Cambridgeshire County Council's Acting Head of Supporting Businesses and Communities**

## Your pictures

CAROL HEBBARD SENT US THESE PHOTOS OF SOME VISITORS TO HER GARDEN

We love to see your pictures. Send them in JPEG format marked 'Your Pictures' to wendy.davey@cambridge-news.co.uk. Please add your name, address and daytime telephone number, where you took the photo and, if possible, a picture of yourself! We reserve the right to reuse pictures at our discretion.

## What you had to say online at ely-news.co.uk

### PLANS TO BRING IN CHARGES FOR PUBLIC TOILETS

**JOLENE WRIGHT**
Yes if it meant they were cleaned regularly I would be happy to pay
**ISLA HODSON**
Wouldn't pay to go
**ELAYNE KAFTAN**
As long as kept clean and fixed when need it I don't mind paying but until then not good enough to spend money on to be honest
**EMMA BOUGHEN**
If it means they will be clean and not got needles on the floor and a spaced out zombie in one of the cubicles then yes
**SUZANNE DOCHERTY**
I'm happy to pay. Love the number of public loos in Ely; makes life with children easier!
**LINDA KNIGHT**
Seems as if we are stepping back in time
**CAROL BUSHNELL**
Yes, provided the person(s) who cleans the toilets gets the living wage.
**CARLY HAYWARD**
So when I'm out with my 2 year old feeding the ducks on Palace Green, and she asks for a wee, and I don't have a 20p coin... Seriously. They're a public convenience! Isn't this the sort of thing our council tax pays for? Oh, no, that's for shiny pebbles and a bench on the market square.
**RUTH HANSLIP**
I always have change but some don't.
Shame we would have to make sure we have money just in case we need a wee.. and I agree. We saw council tax for public services.. surely loos come under that
**MATTHEW RAYNER**
A lot of public toilets are 20p now
**ASHANTI PETERS**
At first I thought no but if it keeps the drug addicts out and keeps them cleaner I'm all for it.

# Family Announcements

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## Birthday Greetings

**18TH BIRTHDAY**

**SOPHIE WOODBRIDGE**

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**18TH BIRTHDAY**

**SOPHIE WOODBRIDGE**

Happy 18th Birthday Love, Dad, Amanda, Ben, Nanna Jo and Grandad Roy

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Family Announcements

## Deaths

**BUTCHER**
**Douglas Edward (Ted)**
*of Littleport*

Passed away peacefully at home on Friday 17th July 2015 aged 93 years.

Together again with his loving wife Gwen, loving father, grandfather and great grandfather

Funeral Service at St George's Church. Littleport on Tuesday 4th August 2015 at 12noon followed by interment in Littleport Cemetery

Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, by cheque payable to Littleport Branch - Royal British Legion may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW Tel: 01353 666566

## Deaths

**DYAL**
**John and Helen**
(from Prickwillow)

As a result of a tragic accident on Friday 17th July, 2015.

Dearly loved parents of Hannah and Una, loved grandparents and siblings.

Funeral service at Cambridge Crematorium, West Chapel on Wednesday 12th August 2015 at 2.15p.m.

Family flowers only but donations if desired for the Wildfowl and Wetland Trust or The East Anglian Air Ambulance may be left at the service or sent to

C. E. Fuller & Co, 23 Hall Street, Soham, Cambs, CB7 5BN, tel. 01353720439.

**GREEN**
**Hazel**
of Littleport formerly of Ten Mile Bank

Passed away peacefully at Kingfisher House, Newmarket on Thursday 9th July 2015, aged 84 years. Devoted wife of the late John, loving mum of Elaine mother-in-law of Roger, much loved nan and great-nan and a dear sister of Kenneth, who will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral Service at Fenland Crematorium, March on Monday 3rd August at 1.30pm.

Family flowers only please, but if desired, Donations, made payable to Cambridge Cancer Research Fund may be sent c/o

R. J. Pepper & Son Family Funeral Directors 2, Pont's Hill, Littleport, Ely, Cambs, CB6 1PZ

or at the Service.

Tel: 01353 860400

## Deaths

**O'CONNOR**
**William (Bill)**

of Witchford, passed away peacefully at Heron Court Nursing Home on Tuesday 21st July 2015 aged 88 years

Loving husband of Elsie, father to Jane and Beverley and grandfather to Charlotte and Elle

Funeral Service will be held at Fenland Crematorium, March on Thursday 6th August 2015 at 12.30pm

Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, by cheque payable to Dr Barnardo's, may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW Tel: 01353 666566

**WAKEFIELD**
**Wendy Ann**
**(nee Gilbert)**

Passed away peacefully at home after a short battle with cancer on Wednesday July 22nd 2015 aged 68 years. Much loved wife to Derek for 45 wonderful years, a cherished mum to David, Michael, Selina and Lisa, grandma, sister, aunty and friend to many. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Private cremation is followed by a service of thanksgiving at Holy Trinity Church, Haddenham on Monday August 10th at 2.30pm.

Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Cancer Research UK will be gratefully received at the service or c/o

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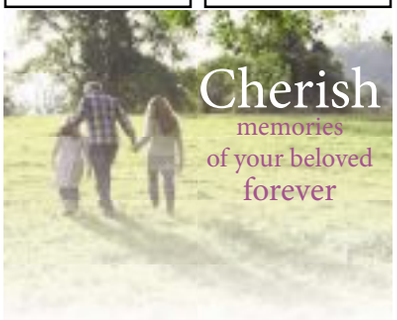


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## Acknowledgements

**ELLWOOD**
**Daphne**

The family of the late Daphne would like to express their thanks to all who sent cards and messages of sympathy during their sad loss.

A special thanks to everyone who attended the funeral service and gave donations in her memory. £218.50 was collected for Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (A&E Department).

We would like to thank Ely Funeral Services and a special thanks to Rowena for the help in the way it was conducted.

Also thanks to the Rev John Samson for taking the service.

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## In Memoriam

**HARVEY**
**SHIRLEY**

Passed away on 2nd August, 2009.

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**(Tom)**

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CHARITY

# Fresh plea to cat owners to get pets neutered

**PLEA: Rebecca Seaman, a fosterer for the Ely and District Cats Protection, pictured with her sons, Henry, 7, left, and Alex, 11, and some of the many cats that currently need rehoming.**

JORDAN **DAY**
@JordanDayCN

ELY and District Cats Protection is over-run with kittens – triggering a fresh plea to cat owners to get their pets neutered.

Linda Hutchinson, who runs the branch from her home in Little Downham, said: "The ones handed in to us are the lucky ones as they will get good food, proper veterinary care and will be re-homed to people who really want them.

"It is the ones found abandoned or the ones just being given away to anyone who will take them that are the worries.

"Everyday, I am getting phone calls about unwanted kittens or sick kittens that have been given away far too young to people who cannot afford the veterinary treatment the kittens need.

"It often surprises people that female cats can get pregnant from as young as four months or that they can get pregnant again before the kittens are even eight weeks old.

"The only way we are going to stop this horrible cycle is by owners getting both their male and female cats neutered."

Cats Protection is still offering 'neuter your cat for £5' vouchers to anyone who is on benefits or a low income.

Call (01353) 699430 or visit your local vet for more details.

INSPECTION

# Good in all areas

**A SUPPORTED living scheme in Ely has been rated as 'good' in all areas by the Care Quality Commision (CQC).**

**Inspectors visited Radis Community Care (Baird Lodge), in Lumley Close, in June and the findings of their report were published this week.**

**The scheme is run by GP Homecare Limited.**

BUSINESS

# Anyone for Thai?

**A NEW Thai restaurant is opening in Ely.**

**Amin Harque, who owns the Indian restaurant, Le Spice, in Forehill, is opening The Thai Lounge in the former Wok Eatery premises almost opposite.**

**Mr Harque and his team hope to open the new restaurant in mid-August.**

CAMPAIGN

# Brave the Shave: dare to bare for Macmillan!

BRAVING THE SHAVE: Far left: Heather Smith with Jacqui Hedley and Jodie Cordner, at The Moore Hair Company. Above: Sue Saunders with daughters Zara and Natalie, both 13. Left: Sue before the clippers came out.

JORDAN **DAY**
@JordanDayCN

AUGUST is Macmillan Cancer Support's Brave the Shave campaign – and already people from across the Ely area are getting on board.

The initiative calls on men and women to brave the clippers and raise as much money as they can to support Macmillan with its vital work in supporting people with cancer.

Nine brave employees at G's Growers have already had their locks chopped off for the cause.

The grand shave took place at G's in Barway last Thursday and to date the group have raised a whopping £3,605, with funds still pouring in.

On Monday it was Sue Saunders' time to brave the shave.

Mum-of-two Sue, 52, who lives in Soham and works at Waitrose in Newmarket, had her hair clippered off at Emma & Co Hair Design in Churchgate Street, Soham.

SHORT BACK AND SIDES: For the 9 employees at G's Growers

She said: "It feels a bit weird but I'm getting used to it. My colleagues think I really suit it!"

To sponsor Sue, pop into Emma & Co or Newmarket Waitrose.

This Saturday, Heather Smith, 24, from Aldreth, is having her hair shaved off with the aim of raising at least £400 for Macmillan.

Heather, who works as a manufacturing administrator for Cambridge-based firm, Breathing Buildings, said: "I'm feeling quite nervous but Macmillan is an amazing charity and my uncle has terminal cancer so it's a charity close to my heart."

Heather's head shave is taking place at Ta Bouche in Ely at around 3pm and people can donate by going along or visiting bravetheshave.org.uk and searching for her name on the site.

Jodie Cordner, an apprentice at The Moore Hair Company in Forehill, Ely, and her mum, Jacqui Hedley, are having their vibrant locks shaved off at the salon on Saturday, August 29.

The salon is also throwing its weight behind the campaign by offering to professionally shave off people's hair for free – and to make a donation for each head shave carried out.

Speaking about the shave, Jodie, 17, who lives with her family in Sutton, said: "My auntie has had cancer twice, my uncle has had it once and a close family friend has also had cancer.

"I'm quite nervous about having my hair shaved off but I know it's for a good cause and I'm hoping to raise at least £500."

To sponsor Jodie or Jacqui, pop into the salon or visit bravetheshave.org.uk and search for their names on the site.

BUSINESS

## White Stuff submits plans

**NATIONAL fashion chain White Stuff is a step closer to opening a store in Ely.**

**In June, *Ely News* reported that the company, which sells casual clothes and accessories for men and women, had confirmed it was opening a store in the city.**

**Now bosses have applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council to erect new signage at 3, Market Place – where the Yours clothing shop used to be.**

**Workmen have been refurbishing the premises for a number of weeks and the council is expected to make a decision within eight weeks.**

**White Stuff says its new store will create around a dozen new jobs.**

EMERGENCY

## Crash in Downham Road

A MOTORIST had to be cut free from a car after it left the road and landed in a field on its roof.

Emergency services, including the East Anglian Air Ambulance, attended the collision in Downham Road, Ely, just before 6pm on Sunday.

Firefighters released one casualty from the vehicle and according to the East of England Ambulance Service (EEAS), the patient was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital by land ambulance with a suspected back injury.

A spokesman for the EEAS said that two other people were treated by paramedics at the scene.

Police and fire crews from Ely and Soham also attended.

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COURT

# Knife attacker is behind bars

**JAILED: Edward Parker, who stabbed a man in an unprovoked attack at this petrol station, above**

COURT **REPORTER**

A MAN who stabbed a shopper without warning or provocation at a petrol station in Soham has been jailed.

Edward Parker, of Orchard Row, Soham, stabbed his 34-year-old victim at the BP station in Fordham Road on September 4 last year.

His victim was looking at the sandwiches in the shop area of the station when he was stabbed in the abdomen with a large knife.

Parker did not know his victim, who was left with a 4cm deep wound which required surgery.

Parker was found guilty of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm after a trial at King's Lynn Crown Court in May.

Last week at Norwich Crown Court he was sentenced to five years in prison.

When released he will then spend a further five years on parole.

DC Peter Ware, from Cambridgeshire police, said: "Parker was a complete stranger to the victim so he would have had no warning at all of what he was about to do.

"It was a terrifying attack and it's only luck that the injury was not more serious or even fatal.

"The incident also caused a great deal of distress to several witnesses and no doubt lots of concern among local people.

"The sentence given reflects the severity of the offence and the public will be safer with Parker behind bars."

**PROJECT UNDER WAY:** The Bishop of Ely, the Rt Rev Stephen Conway, got work started on the new Pathfinder School.

## Bishop cuts first sod for new school

THE Bishop of Ely, the Rt Revd Stephen Conway, has made the first cut in the ground where a new school will be built in Cambridge.

The Pathfinder Church of England Primary School in Northstowe will take a year to complete and will accept its first students in September 2016.

When used at its fullest capacity, the school will cater for around 630 pupils.

Bishop Stephen said: "The Church of England has been playing a vital role in the education of our children for the last 200 years, and I am passionate about the role our church schools play in the life of our nation and of our local communities. Today some one million children are taught in more than 4,700 Church of England schools across the country."


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CAMPAIGN

# Wind turbines: online petition

JORDAN **DAY**
@JordanDayCN

CAMPAIGNERS fighting plans to erect two wind turbines near Ely have launched an online petition.

The Stop Stretham Wind Farm Group (SSWFG) was set up in October after plans for two 102m high turbines to be sited in Cambridge Road, Stretham, were resurrected.

Farmer Chris Attle re-submitted his proposals for Redhill Farm to East Cambridgeshire District Council last autumn just weeks after he withdrew them.

They were withdrawn as he was having problems connecting the proposed turbines to the National Grid, however those issues have now been resolved.

The proposed turbines have proved controversial among local residents.

Cllr Bill Hunt, who is a county and district member for Stretham, and who is advising the SSWFG, said: "The benefits of any wind turbine application are far lower than the disadvantages they bring.

"These turbines are one and a half times the height of the tower of Ely Cathedral. That is just not acceptable.

"As a Fenman, I am a great lover of the big, open skies of Cambridgeshire and these turbines would certainly ruin the views. It's not fair on the thousands of people who live in the area."

Among the objectors is Peter Binns, of High Street, Stretham.

He said: "The siting of two 102m high turbines in this location would be totally out of proportion with the surrounding landscape.

"Their presence would represent a significant loss of visual amenity in an area of great natural beauty and historical significance.

"Wind turbines have proved to be among the least efficient methods of generating green energy and the negative impacts on the area and its residents would far outweigh even the most optimistic claims for the turbines' contribution to renewable energy generation."

Frederick and Barbara Benge, of Cambridge Road. They said: "You would see these masts for miles from every direction.

"Not only would they be very visual, there is the noise to consider, flashing when the sun shines on them, and possible effects for migraine and epilepsy sufferers."

The applicants are proposing to offer five per cent of the turbines' annual income to Stretham Parish Council.

To view the petition, visit petitions24.com and search for 'Stop Stretham Wind Farm'.

Have your say at ely-news.co.uk

**STALLS GALORE:** Above: Sarah Raine of Jackanapes at the craft fair. Far left: Lianne Stephenson of Kids Kitchen. Left: Anne Emmett of Anne's Arrangements

## Hundreds attend summer craft fair

CRAFT lovers were able to buy and browse to their hearts' content in Ely.

The Ely Cathedral Centre, on Palace Green, held its annual summer craft fair on Saturday.

There were more than 30 stalls selling everything from handmade toys to ceramics, as well as cards, jewellery, clothes, art and handbags.

Visitors were also able to enjoy delicious teas and cakes in the centre's cafe.

David Scates, the centre's interim manager, said: "We had a good day. We had around 250 to 300 people through the doors which is about what we were expecting.

"The weather wasn't great which meant there weren't as many coaches coming into Ely as there normally would be on a nice Saturday but we're certainly not complaining."


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PLEA: Peter Joyce pictured in the butchers shop some time ago.

## Butchers go due to 'lack of support'

**A FAMILY are urging more people to support their local independent businesses following the closure of their butchers in Ely and Soham.**

**Peter Joyce and his family have had to close both their shops due to a lack of support. They had run the Ely shop for three years and the Soham business for 18 months.**

**A spokesman for the family said: "It's a real shame but sadly we had no other option.**

**"The locals weren't supporting us enough, opting to shop at the supermarkets instead. People need to realise that unless they start to support their local independents more then their town centres will die out completely."**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# Got pennies to spend a penny?

JORDAN **DAY**
@JordanDayCN

RESIDENTS and visitors in Ely could soon be charged to spend a penny in the city's public toilets.

East Cambridgeshire District Council, which is responsible for nine toilets in total in Ely, Littleport, Burwell and Fordham, launched a review earlier this year to assess the way its public conveniences are currently run.

The council says the review also assessed the current state of the loos, which cost over £200,000 a year to run and maintain – and looked at how other cities and towns manage their toilets.

According to the authority, one of the ways other councils fund their public conveniences is through a nominal charge which is then invested into improving the facilities.

A public consultation is being launched to ask people how they would feel about being charged to use the toilets in Ely, Littleport, Fordham and Burwell.

Cllr Richard Hobbs, chairman of the council's commercial services committee, said: "We are progressing well with our review into the public conveniences which has involved assessing the investment required to keep the toilets as they are to how much it would cost to improve them to a higher standard.

"We have also spent a lot of time looking at what other authorities do, which we have uncovered is to charge a small amount which then goes to improve the facilities.

"This is an option which we think is worth testing with the public to see what they think.

"The toilets in the district currently cost over £200,000 a year to maintain so our review is looking at the best way to meet these costs and keep all of the facilities open.

"We hope lots of people will get involved in the consultation so we can gauge how they would feel about potentially having to pay to use the public conveniences in East Cambridgeshire.

"This is your chance to have your say."

Members of the commercial services committee are being asked to approve the outline of the public consultation when they meet this week.

The public consultation will then be launched later this summer.

For more information, call (01353) 665555 or visit eastcambs.gov.uk.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK. WOULD YOU BE HAPPY TO PAY TO USE THE TOILETS IN ELY? comment at **ely-news.co.uk** or email **jordan.day@cambridge-news.co.uk**

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# £1 million being spent on revamp of Ely estate

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WORK on a £1 million refurbishment of over 100 properties in Ely – bringing improvements and cost savings to residents – is due to be finished this summer.

The 121 properties in New Barns Avenue, a Sanctuary Group-owned social housing development, are currently receiving a large range of exterior insulation works to improve the look and efficiency of the homes.

Sanctuary has joined forces with Climate Energy and Thrift Energy to carry out a large solid-wall insulation programme to the properties in order to improve the properties both aesthetically and economically.

The programme of improvements began with structural works in preparation for the fitting of external wall insulation, following which the properties are given a colour rendered finish to freshen them up.

A number of boilers have also been replaced or upgraded with energy efficient models in properties to help further reduce bills, and loft insulation is being topped up as required.

The works could help to create potential savings of up to £450 for residents living in a typical semi-detached property on the estate and a reduction of 1,900kg in carbon dioxide emissions.

With nearly 50 properties already finished, the works are expected to be completed at the end of the summer when the local community will celebrate with a street party.

Stephen Wells, one of the residents in a property on New Barns Avenue, said: "We are so pleased with the new external insulation to our house.

"The difference in appearance is quite dramatic and we are told that the reduction in heating costs should be substantial."

The refurbishment is being funded by Sanctuary and is fully supported by the district council.

**ESTATE REFURB: Houses in New Barns Avenue pictured before and after the £1million refurbishments**

NEWS IN BRIEF

## Plans for seven homes on Littleport scrubland

SEVEN new detached houses look set to be built in Littleport.

J H Martin and Sons Ltd, based at Denver Sluice, near Downham Market, have applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to build the properties at 8A, Ely Road.

The site is currently scrubland and a decision could be made within eight weeks. Visit eastcambs.gov.uk to view the proposals or to have your say.

## Any issues you want to discuss with MP?

MP Lucy Frazer has written to all 50 parish councils in her constituency to offer a meeting with them and local residents.

The South East Cambridgeshire MP is also inviting any residents or organisations who wish to meet her and discuss any issues they have to get in touch. Email lucy.frazer.mp@parliament.uk.


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| 20th | Railway Children Matinee | £62 |
| 20th | Shrek's Adventure Matinee | Adult £47 Child £42 |

**September**

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| 3rd | Jersey Boys | £60 |
| 3rd | Les Miserables | £70 |
| 24th | Miss Saigon Matinee | £78 |
| 24th | War Horse Matinee | £74 |

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BUSINESS

# Magic shop is opening as florists' era sadly ends

END OF AN ERA: Mark and Lorraine Smith ran Simply Flowers in Ely for around eight years.

JORDAN **DAY**
@JordanDayCN

A FLORISTS has closed its doors after almost a decade in Ely – and the premises are to be transformed into a magic emporium and printing shop.

Mark and Lorraine Smith, who are married but now separated, have shut Simply Flowers in Market Street.

The business closed its doors on Friday after being in the city for around eight years.

*Ely News* can confirm that the shop is to re-open as the Little Print Shop in one side, and the Razmatazz Magic Emporium in the other.

Keith Slater and local magician and children's entertainer Sam Brooks, also known as Sammy Magic Magic are taking on the premises.

Sam, who lives in Ely, said: "We currently run KNA Design and Print Solutions and are based in Isleham but we're going to be relocating the business to one side of the shop.

"The other side of the shop will be the Razmatazz Magic Emporium – basically a magic centre for people of all ages.

"We'll be opening in August and plan to have a famous magician attending our grand opening event in September.

"We're really excited and hope the local community will be too."

Mr Smith, 29, who lives in Ely, said closing Simply Flowers was difficult.

He said: "It was a tough decision to make but one which we had to make for a number of reasons.

"Lorraine has been in hospital for the last four months as she suffered a stroke; she's not been very well at all.

"I've been running the shop by myself and working ridiculous hours which was really starting to take its toll.

"When the review of the shop's lease came up recently we just thought the time was right to call it a day.

"Lorraine and I would like to thank all of our loyal customers for their support over the years – closing the shop was certainly an emotional day."

NEWS IN BRIEF

## Visit ancient churches

FOUR medieval churches are holding open days tomorrow (Friday) as part of the OuseFest 2015 celebrations.

The Isle of Ely Open Churches Trail will see the parish churches of Coveney, Sutton, Mepal and Witcham all open to the public from 10am-4pm.

People can complete the trail by car or bike, or the more adventurous can attempt to tackle it by foot.

Entry to all the churches is free.

Visit ousewashes.org.uk/ousefest for more information.

## Man sought following burglary at station cafe

BRITISH Transport Police want to speak to this man in connection with a burglary at a coffee shop at Ely railway station.

The break-in happened at the LA Golden Bean kiosk on June 14 when around £120 worth of snacks were stolen, but the image has only just been released. If you recognise him, call 0800 40 5040 and quote reference ESUB/B7 of 22/07/2015.

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## Ely

■ Author Victor Watson speaking to children about his childhood in Littleport during the First World War at Ely Library, Friday at 10.30am. Suitable for children aged 8 and over. Tickets £1 from the library.

■ Anglo Saxon fun for children at Ely Museum on Saturday from 11am-4pm. Normal admission charges apply. Call (01353) 666655.

■ Costumed guided tours at Oliver Cromwell House every Saturday throughout August from 11.30am-1pm. Cost is £6 for adults, £3.50 for children. Call (01353) 662062.

■ Premier Sport summer holiday football and multi-sport fun for children aged 5-12 at the Paradise Centre from August 10-13. Call (01953) 499040.

■ Knights and princesses themed children's event at Burrows Bookshop on Wednesday, August 5. Plus creative writing session there on Tuesday, August 4 from 10.30-11.30am. Call (01353) 669759.

■ Creative Ely group members meeting in Jubilee Gardens for a picnic on Tuesday, August 4 at 7.30pm. Call (01353) 668877.

■ Viking Vessels children's craft morning at Ely Museum on Thursday, August 6 from 10.30am-1pm. Suitable for ages 7-11. Book places by calling (01353) 666655.

## Littleport

■ Family disco at Littleport Leisure Centre on Saturday from 6-10pm, with children's games. Cost is £1 each. On Sunday there is a quiz night in aid of the Littleport Players, starting at 7pm and again £1 each. Call (01353) 860600.

■ Fenland story quilt story telling workshop day at the Adams Heritage Centre on Sunday with artist Jane Frost from 10am-4pm. Call 07967 088348.

■ Family fun day at Branching Out, in Grange Lane, on Friday, August 7 from 10.30am-2.30pm.

■ Gala race night and disco at Littleport Village Hall on Saturday, August 8 in aid of Macmillan nurses. It starts at 6.45pm and tickets are £5. Call 07969 668846.

## Prickwillow

■ Volunteers' secret lives event at Prickwillow Drainage Engine Museum on Sunday, August 9 from 11am-4.30pm. Normal admission charges apply. Call (01353) 688360.

## Soham

■ Fundraising coffee morning at the Salvation Army Hall on Saturday from 10am-12pm.

## Sutton

■ Fenland story quilt story telling workshop day at The Commons on Saturday with artist Jane Frost from 10am-4pm. Call 07967 088348.

■ Premier Sport summer holiday football and multi-sport fun for children aged 5-12 at Sutton Primary School from August 11-14. Call (01953) 499040.

## Wicken

■ Service at Wicken Methodist Church on Saturday with live music to celebrate the church's refurb. It starts at 6.30pm.

■ Children's holiday fun at Wicken Fen throughout August, including mud glorious mud sessions and family camp-outs. Call (01353) 720274.

**CHARITY MINDED:** The fitness class raised £275 for Pancreatic Cancer UK.

## Fitness class raises £275 for charity

FITNESS fanatics raised their energy levels – as well as funds for charity.

Jess Owen, 22, from Ely, and Nicola Housden, 23, from Witcham, held a charity fitness class at Witchford Village College's sports hall.

The school donated the hall for the event, which saw 32 men and women putting their fitness to the test in an intense two-hour workout, raising £275 for Pancreatic Cancer UK.

Jess said: "My dad's friend has pancreatic cancer. We just wanted to do something to raise money and we're delighted with the support it received."


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# Recycling initiative

A COMPANY has launched an innovative recycling service to help businesses avoid the environmental and financial costs of sending food waste to landfill.

Ellgia Recycling, based on Ely's Lancaster Way Business Park, says its new food recycling service offers businesses a simple means to comply with increasing levels of legislation concerning food waste.

Under current law, all food businesses that produce more than 50kg of food waste a week are required to have a separate food waste recycling stream.

However, from January 1 2016, all food businesses that produce over 5kg of food waste a week will be required to have a separate food waste recycling stream.

By January 1, 2020, there will be a ban on all biodegradable municipal waste going to landfill.

According to WRAP, 920,000 tonnes of food is thrown away every year by the hospitality and food service sector alone, costing £2.5 million and producing between 460,000 – 920,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide.

Ellgia Recycling sends all food waste to a local anaerobic digestion plant, which is then broken down to produce biogas and bio fertiliser.

As part of its new service, the firm has invested in new bins that are specifically developed to collect food waste, with rounded bottoms so that food does not stick, and replacement liners that are provided on collection to keep the bins clean.

Collections will take place weekly, more frequently if required, and will take food and packaging, including fruit and vegetables, meat and fish (uncooked and cooked), packaged food, canned food, bakery waste, canteen waste and kitchen scraps.

The firm wants businesses across Cambridgeshire to get involved. To find out more, visit ellgiarecycling.co.uk.

**HOSPICE SUPPORT:** Robert Barnes pictured with staff at Ely's Nisa store.

## Nisa store to support hospice

**ELY'S new Nisa store is helping to raise funds for the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity.**

**The family-run store, which opened in St Mary's Street earlier this year, has chosen to support the Lisa Barnes Memorial Fund by having collection boxes at the till areas, plus the business is offering its car park space for the hospice and other charities to use around once a month for fundraising activities.**

**The fund was set up by Robert Barnes, from Ely, in memory of his wife, Lisa, who died of cancer in 2010.**

**Lisa, who was well known in the area, spent the last week of her life being cared for in the hospice. In July, Mr Barnes celebrated hitting the £120,000 mark.**

**To find out how you can support the fund, visit lisabarnesmemorialfund.org.uk.**

**Pop into the Nisa store to see if your charity or organisation could be supported too.**

# Kids can travel for just £2

CHILDREN can travel on Abellio Greater Anglia train services for just £2 this summer.

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**£525,000**

**SUTTON**

**A well presented individually built four bedroom detached family home with generous gardens located in a non estate position within a quiet lane.**

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**£389,950**

**BARWAY**

**An attractive detached four/five bedroom home centrally placed within this attractive village facing a small green and with mature well stocked gardens.**

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**£375,000**

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**£365,000**

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**A highly individual detached family residence providing spacious five bedroom accommodation situated in a non estate location towards the village outskirts.**

5 bedrooms, 2 en suite shower rooms, cloakroom, family bathroom, entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility and gas central heating. EPC rating: D

**£350,000**

## ELY

**An attractive three bedroom modern townhouse situated in a pleasant courtyard style setting placed amongst other similar homes.**

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**LITTLEPORT** **£289,950**

**A beautifully presented three bedroom home occupying a pleasant non estate position with views over surrounding farmland.**

3 bedrooms, entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, bathroom, en suite shower room, gas central heating and double glazing. EPC rating: D

NEW

**QUEEN ADELAIDE** **£259,950**

**A three bedroom, semi-detached, family home with the benefit of a large garden, garage, off-street parking and a summer house with hot tub.**

3 bedrooms with en-suite to the master bedroom, family bathroom, living room, kitchen/dining room, utility room, entrance porch, rear garden, large garage, summer house with hot tub and off-street parking. EPC rating: G

SOLD STC

**ALDRETH** **£249,950**

**A well presented and improved 2/3 bedroom single storey detached cottage dating from 1850's with delightful gardens and backing onto fields.**

2/3 bedrooms, family bathroom, living room, snug, kitchen, dining room, gardens, off street parking, oil fired central heating. EPC rating: E

SOLD STC

**WICKEN** **£240,000**

**A beautifully presented semi-detached cottage occupying a pretty setting placed centrally within the village conservation area.**

Hall, sitting/dining, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, well-appointed bathroom, oil central heating, double glazing and off street parking. EPC rating: E

NEW

**SOHAM** **£184,950**

**A well presented four bedroom semi detached home offering spacious accommodation throughout located within this popular cul-de-sac within walking distance of the Town centre.**

4 bedrooms, family bathroom, landing, entrance hall, cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, gardens, garage en-block, gas central heating, comprehensively double glazed and no upward chain. EPC rating: D

NEW

**LITTLEPORT** **£184,950**

**An immaculately presented three bedroom semi-detached home located on the edge of Littleport with garage and parking.**

3 bedrooms, family bathroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, front and rear garden, garage and off street parking. EPC rating: TBC

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- Established semi house
- Open views to rear
- 2 bedrooms
- Lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Good size plot
- Garage
- EPC Rating D

## STRETHAM £525,000

- Detached non-estate house
- Immaculately presented throughout
- 3 reception rooms
- Kitchen b'fast and utility
- Garden Room
- 4 bedrooms & 2 en-suites
- Double garage
- EPC rating C

## SOHAM O.I.R.O. £249,950

- 2006 built townhouse
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge and dining room
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite and shower room
- Leasehold garage
- Good size rear garden
- EPC Rating C

## WITCHFORD £179,950

- Modern terraced home
- Ideal investment or first purchase
- 2 bedrooms
- Lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Updated bathroom
- EPC Rating C

## WENTWORTH £585,000

- Individual detached residence
- Excelent family accommodation
- 4 bedrooms
- 2 en-suites
- 4/5 reception rooms
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Large garden
- EPC rating D

## SUTTON OIRO £165,000

- Modern semi house
- Cul-de-sac location
- Well presented throughout
- 2 bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Sitting room
- Garage and garden
- EPC B

## LITTLEPORT

- Cottage style semi
- Rural hamlet location
- 3 bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- En-suite and bathroom
- Open views to rear
- EPC Rating D

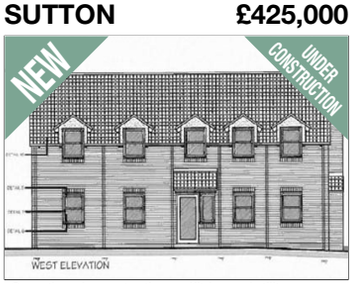
## SUTTON £375,000

- Modern and individual house
- Cul de sac location
- Kitchen and utility
- Lounge and dining room
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite to master
- Garage and garden
- EPC Rating C

## WELNEY £155,000

- Detached bungalow
- Semi rural village location
- 2 bedrooms
- 2 reception rooms
- Bathroom
- Open views to rear
- Updating potential
- EPC E

## SUTTON £425,000

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£315,000 - £325,000
Wilburton
**Farmland Views**
EPC D
My sellers have loved this bungalow with its beautiful field views over the countryside for the last 18 years and hope the next owners are as happy here as they have been. A lovely home in a popular village. What's not to love? REF 9616
Don't Miss Out

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Littleport
**Tucked Away**
EPC C
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**Room For Everyone**
Soham
£285,000
EPC C
What will you compromise on to get a house of this size at this price? My sellers loved the spacious kitchen/dining room as the central hub of the home and the fact the kids could walk to school. The garage and off street parking were a must have too. REF 9445
See For Yourself!

**Guide Price** £265,000 - £275,000
**Versatile Living Space** EPC C
Ely
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Come And Have A Look

**Guide Price**
£220,000 - £230,000
Soham
**Central Location**
EPC D
Home to my sellers for 24 years but now the kids have flown the nest, it is time for another family to enjoy living in this pretty, detached period property, situated within walking distance of schools and shops. This home suits a family with kids old enough to appreciate great size bedrooms, or park a car of their own, and the garden is terraced; perfect for enjoying a glass of wine in the sun. REF 9642
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**Guide Price** £300,000 - £325,000
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Littleport
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EPC D
If you dream of space to keep your own menagerie in style or a vegetable plot on a grand scale with room for chickens and more (self sufficiency with the safety net of the city of Ely just 4 miles away) - welcome home! REF 9331
Rural Living

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EPC C
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# Your Guide to Moving Home

**Moving home can be a complicated business and in the hectic run up to the big day it is all too easy to forget something vital. The team offers their readers this handy checklist to help avoid any major pitfalls. We suggest you tick them off as you go....**

## 1 4–2 WEEKS TO GO:

- ❑ **Packing** – start packing and sorting through your belongings. Now is a good time to de-clutter and pack items rarely used. Make sure you have plenty of sturdy boxes, bubble wrap and sticky tape.
- ❑ **Removal companies** – get estimates from removal companies, checking that comprehensive insurance cover is available against damage or loss. Is there a packing and unpacking service? Confirm the date of your move with the firm you have chosen.
- ❑ **Insurance** – check on your home contents insurance policies to ensure that you are covered for the move, and covered at your new address.
- ❑ **Utilities** – make arrangements for your gas and electricity meters (plus water meters where relevant) to be read and all your appliances to be disconnected on the day of your move. Arrange to take over gas and electricity at your new address, and make sure that all appliances will be properly fitted, plumbed or connected.
- ❑ **Telecommunications** – Notify your telephone and broadband provider and ask them to make the necessary arrangements for a final account at your present address, and for taking over or installing telephone and broadband facilities at your new home.
- ❑ **Post** – Look into re-directing your post for a few months to make sure you receive all relevant correspondence.
- ❑ **Children** – Look into the possibility of your children, especially young children, staying with family or friends on the day of the move.
- ❑ **Pets** – Make arrangements for any pets to be booked into a cattery or kennels if required. Having your pets microchipped is a good idea and if already microchipped, have the address changed to your new one. Your vet can advise on this.

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**Change of address** – tell companies and organisations that you are moving!

**Notify:**

- ❑ Employer
- ❑ Inland revenue
- ❑ Local council
- ❑ Banks or Building Societies
- ❑ Credit companies, store cards & other accounts
- ❑ Gas, Electricity and water boards
- ❑ Insurance companies
- ❑ Land / mobile phones
- ❑ Internet and cable / satellite TV providers
- ❑ Doctor, Dentist and Opticians
- ❑ DVLA
- ❑ Veterinary surgery
- ❑ TV Licensing

## 3 1 WEEK TO GO:

- ❑ **Delivery address** – change delivery address of your Cambridge News, milk, groceries and fuel to your new address as appropriate.
- ❑ **Laundry** – do any last minute laundry that you can – have you arranged for a plumber to disconnect your washing machine correctly?
- ❑ **Kitchen cupboards** – go through your kitchen cupboards and throw out anything not in date. Also check that all jars and bottles are correctly sealed before packing.
- ❑ **Fridges / Freezers** – empty and clean out in preparation for moving. If you are moving a freezer and its contents, turn it up to maximum for a couple of days before you move.
- ❑ **Valuables / documents** – put these in safe place for moving day

## 4 2–1 DAYS TO GO:

- ❑ **Packing** – pack a bag for overnight essentials and toiletries and finish all remaining packing into boxes. Remember to label which room each box is destined for.
- ❑ **Snack box** – pack a box for the kitchen to include essentials like tea, coffee and sugar, as well as the kettle and mugs! Also include other snacks as necessary.
- ❑ **Dismantle and disconnect** – take down curtains, fixtures and fittings and disconnect white goods ready for transport.
- ❑ **Outdoor items** – make sure that these are stacked together and ready to be moved.
- ❑ **Mobile** – place your mobile on charge the night before moving and ensure that all relevant people have your number.

## 5 ON MOVING DAY:

### AT YOUR OLD ADDRESS:

- ❑ Strip beds and pack bedding and nightclothes.
- ❑ Finish packing toiletries box.
- ❑ Direct removal firm personnel or friends helping you move as to what needs to be done.
- ❑ Turn off electric appliances.
- ❑ Disconnect cooker.
- ❑ Turn off boiler / central heating.
- ❑ Turn off water.
- ❑ Read gas meter.
- ❑ Read electricity meter.
- ❑ Secure all windows.
- ❑ Lock all doors.
- ❑ Make final checks and leave key as arranged with new owners.

### AT YOUR NEW HOME:

- ❑ Open up & have a look around the new house.
- ❑ Locate fuse box, gas and electric meter and stop cock for reference.
- ❑ Take readings on gas, electric and water meters as appropriate.
- ❑ Organise the direction of boxes to appropriate rooms.
- ❑ Check the van after all is unloaded.
- ❑ Make the beds up for the evening.
- ❑ Sit down and relax – unpack the other boxes the next day.

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NEW

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NEW

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NEW

Soham £275,000

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Sutton £298,950

An established detached bungalow situated in a small private lane close to the village centre. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hallway, study, kitchen, lounge, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, garage, parking and gardens. The property also benefits from oil central heating. EPR E.

Ely £265,000

A well presented 3-storey townhouse situated on a highly regarded residential development. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge, 3 bedrooms (1 ensuite) and bathroom, together with gardens and parking. The property is also offered for sale with the benefit of no upward chain. EPR TBC.

Sutton £215,000

A superbly presented detached family home situated on this highly regarded residential development. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen/dining room, lounge, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, garage and driveway. The property benefits from gas central heating and double glazing. No upward chain. EPR TBC.

Nordelph £265,000

Established detached home on a plot of approx 4 acres of grade 1 arable land (set to wheat due to be harvested July/August 2014). Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, sitting room/bedroom 4, office/family room, rear lobby, utility, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms, box room, bathroom & separate cloakroom. Additional land available by separate negotiation. No chain. EPR D.

Soham £295,000

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Ely £349,995

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Southery £249,950

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Soham £185,000

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Little Downham £229,950

An established semi-detached house backing onto farmland and offering accommodation with further potential including; entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen / dining room, cloakroom, boiler room / store room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom and gardens. The property also benefits from oil central heating and double glazing. EPR E.

Soham £420,000

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Sutton £515,000

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No Upward Chain
EPC - 53(C)

## WITCHAM £280,000

NEW

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## SUTTON £179,950

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**ELY £250,000**

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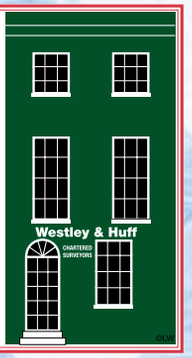


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**DISCREET** man wanted by married lady for no strings fun. I'm called Sarah and am 37yrs. Pls call, ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4296 Box No: 418167**

**BELINDA** 39yr old divorced lonely female with GSOH looking for friendship hopefully leading to more with honest, caring male, status, looks and age unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418343**

**ANN**, young looking 40yrs seeks broadminded man of any age/location for no strings discreet times, games and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4282 Box No: 412369**

**SUE,** 48, fair-haired petite pretty female, honest, trustworthy, GSOH, enjoys countryside, holidays, WLTM male, for possible relationship/friendship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418189**

**ANNA**, busty mature lady seeks no strings discreet meetings with male any age or location. **Tel No: 0906 515 4283 Box No: 366019**

**AMY** 31yr old single mum new to the area looking to meet male companion to help make me settle in and feel special again, age/status unimportant. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418165**

**JULIE** attractive 35yr old female with a great body, looking for no strings attached evening meets. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 411779**

**PASSIONATE** honest slim blue eyed blonde, 39yrs, likes nights in/out, looking for affectionate male, any age to spend adult fun times. Interested? call me. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 412173**

**MICHELLE** very lonely single mum, 25yrs, looking for male friend to enjoy nights in, good conversations and hopefully leading to more. Looks/age not important. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 412175**

**JESSICA** 39, attractive fit/healthy blonde female enjoys travel, music, the Arts, gym, the good things in life, seeking love, laughter, LTR with similar male, 40-55yrs. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418083**

**SUE,** 49yrs, blonde blue eyed slim but curvy attractive female, likes a good movie with nice bottle of wine, WLTM likeminded genuine male. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418001**

**OLIVIA** classy 30s lady looking for mature male with a good imagination and open-minded approach to relationships. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417999**

**LESLEY,** 42, free spirited single female, professional with OHAC, looking for someone to have some fun with. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417979**

**BEVERLEY,** 32, 5ft, petite, very pretty, trendy with a great figure and big personality, loves animals, children and WLTM fun male to be my soul mate. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417409**

**BLONDE** single mum 44, caring and considerate, seeking employed man 40 to 55 for long-term relationship. Genuine only please. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4753663**

**BOSTON** female 56 loyal, intelligent, loves history seeks dependable humorous male for friendship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4751421**

**JO** newly divorced, new to dating, perfect size 10, OHAC, solvent, looking for some fun times with younger male. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417783**

**CATHERINE,** 44, very lonely female with no ties, attractive, slim, WLTM male for relaxed friendship, enjoys fine wine, romantic walks and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417759**

**PAM** 39yr old green eyed female looking for 50 Shades of Grey romance, come on lets have some fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417747**

**SOUTH** African female, vibrant intelligent pretty nurse, size 8, seeking professional tactile, sensual male for fun meets, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417659**

**BEVERLEY,** 46, tall leggy slim blonde, solvent Company Director, WLTM male to spoil, appreciate, enjoy adult companionship and friendship. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417647**

**SLIM** blonde, curvy in all the right places, seeks hilarious guy for fun dates, preferably a guy who is a bit of a hippy. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4716397**

**NICE** female looking for decent genuine male for friendship to start out with. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4710874**

**HAPPY**, fit, 77yr old widow N/S 5ft 3in, GSOH. Loves travel, many interests. WLTM man with caravan/camper to share weekends/holidays. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4492014**

**DAWN** mature blue-eyed blonde searching for that special someone to enjoy good times with plenty of TLC. Any age/looks/race. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416857**

**JUNE,** 47, tall fun loving single mum, OHAC, spontaneous, romantic, tactile WLTM similar understanding loving man for relationship. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416797**

**KIND** caring lady early 30s, 5ft5, slim fair hair looking for long-term relationship in Leamington Spa area. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4527227**

**ANN,** attractive lady looking for male companion to spice things up and put some passion back into my life. Not looking for anything too serious.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417219**


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**CARING** lovely curvy female 41 seeks genuine and caring guy. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4721992**

**LORRAINE** 38yr old fun female, attractive, blonde, blue eyed, just looking for someone sincere to love, that cant be too much to ask can it? Likeminded males pls call. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417411**

**JENNY** 38, petite, blonde busty, looking for my sugar daddy, GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415311**

**SLIM** single female, 30's, seeks male for friendship and outings. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415713**

**SUE,** 26yr old divorcee who is not ready to settle down, seeks confident outgoing man who is just looking for fun.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417207**

**CATHY** attractive 35yr singleton, varied interests, looking for trustworthy male for companionship, maybe more.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417087**

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**JULIE** attractive 35yr old female with a great body, looking for no strings attached evening meets.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 411779**

**SARAH** recently divorced 35yr old female ready to start living again, seeks partner in crime for lots of sensual fun times.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416975**

**SARAH** 44 bored and lonely, OHAC, open-minded looking for similar male to make happy and enjoy adult fun times together. Any age/status. ACA.**Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416913**

**SINGLE** tall blonde, 30yrs, bored of life's mundane routines looking for some discreet fun with likeminded man, any age/looks. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416703**

**SAMANTHA** very attractive slim single 31yr old sensual brunette, WLTM sincere male 40+ serious about meeting someone special for fun and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416677**

**ATTRACTIVE** female, 47, 5ft 3ins, likes pets, cooking, music, walks, seeks kind, caring, genuine male for lasting relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438X Box No: 416671**

**GLYN** tactile young at heart lady who has been on her own for far too long, seeks male in similar situation for companionship and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416513**

**SABINA** 35, outgoing attractive brunette, fit and carefree just looking for fun times without complications, maybe more later. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416511**

**27YR** old pretty green eyed slim single mum, easy to please in good company, WLTM mature male for friendship/more, single dad welcome. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416495**

**JAYNE** 35, loving romantic, warm, caring auburn haired beauty seeks older kind male, 30-60yrs for loving genuine relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416295**

**VERY** attractive, sensual, curvy brunette looking for no strings, no commitment fun only. Any age/status/looks. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416231**

**YOU** don't know what you are missing! Helen 41, really pretty voluptuous confident lady, WLTM nice man for good times. Looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416075**

**HELP!** Allison, bored 27yr old with far too much time on my hands looking for some pleasant distractions with likeminded man. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416073**

**YOUNG** discreet 38yr old blue eyed blonde with varied interests, looking for older man for romantic nights in. Status/looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416071**

**CASEY-ANN** divorced female, pretty size 10, blonde, OHAC, varied interests and lots to offer Mr Reliable, looking to find and fall in love again. ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415839**

**FUN** uncomplicated distraction required! Sam sensual black female looking to fill spare time and boredom with fun male for adult times. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415823**

**BRENDA** petite slim single mum, nice looking, outgoing, just wanting an honest, sincere Mr Average with GSOH and big kind heart for friendship maybe ltr. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415553**

**SAM** 32yrs petite pretty seeking genuine good-hearted male for loving relationship. If you're out there please call and restore my faith in dating. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415413**

**JUDITH** attractive curvy sensual black lady seeking kind genuine mature male companion for adult fun, meals in/out and passionate weekends home or away. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415397**

**DOREEN** 40's attractive blonde, nice figure, solvent, OHAC, no ties, enjoys keeping fit, holidays away, WLTM someone to share all the good things in life with. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415383**

## Men seeking women

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**PROFESSIONAL** gentleman would like to meet a lady, any age/race for discreet daytime fun. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4853198**

**WIDOWER** 66, honest, caring, trustworthy, been on own too long, looking for someone to love again age/looks /size unimportant bbw welcome. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4837120**

**VERY** fit 5'8 sporty attractive, pro Black male seeks lady 35-58, any nationality for tactile LTR. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4844360**

**RICHARD** seeking female for discreet adult fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418269**

**JOHN** 26, GSOH, likes the outdoors, wine and good food, medium athletic build, WLTM older woman for fun and friendship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4488256**

**KIND** male, 50, likes cinema, meals out, concerts, travel, N/S, seeks loving, N/S lady 38-52 with similar interests. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 418099**

**KIND** male, 48, enjoys cinema, meals out, live concerts, travel, seeks loving lady, 38-54 for LTR. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 394634**

**CUDDLY** 50 year old male, hard working, seeks genuine woman for days and nights out and no strings fun. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4437594**

**DUBLINER,** good sense of humour, strong and very fit would love to meet a warm sensitive lady, non smoker. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4754715**

**TALL** slim, fit, 70 plus man with camper van, seeks open-minded lady who wants to travel. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417983**

**MALE** 6ft 2ins, slim, 56, likes theatre, meals out, looking for lady 45-56. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417867**

**GARY** 55, looking for female, 45-55, likes nights out, romantic dinners etc. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415557**

**MALE,** outgoing 5ft10 medium built, seeking the right lady, local and caring. Likes to have fun. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4750169**

**MIKE,** 61, 5ft.5in, Coalville area seeking 30+ year old lady with long blonde hair and blue eyes for friendship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4709567**

**GARY** 53yr old 6dt 2ins slim male looking for going out, dining, walks, friendship, maybe more. Lets see how it goes. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 405061**

**MALE** 54, seeks lady 45-54 for company, days out, theatre and having fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 410939**

**GARY** 55, looking for female, 45-55, likes nights out, romantic dinners etc. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415557**

**MALE,** medium build, down to earth, salt & pepper hair, GOSH, Sincere, WLTM someone similar. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4744385**

**GORDON** attractive, polite, older guy, seeks sexy lady, 50-60 in similar situation for discreet daytime fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417621**

**MALE** 59, 6ft, clean-shaven, likes nights in/out, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 321443**

**ERIC** seeking intimate personal relationship with lady 50-60's, must be discreet. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 408931**

**MALE** 66, likes golf, seeks female for friendship, nights in/out and meals. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 336701**

**COLIN** 48, kind, loving, seeks cuddly large lady for love, LTR and romance, must like hugs/kisses/cuddles. Looks unimportant. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4730876**

**GENUINE** male, 45, seeks lady for friendship and more, likes cooking, rock music, reading, holidays in the sun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416305**


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**40YR** old lonely male, seeking discreet adult fun with 60 plus female. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 417585**

**CARING** man enjoys going out, looking for someone to take out and have a laugh and to share some nights in! **Text only to Mailbox No: 4736191**

**CEMENT** to be! Builder seeking concrete relationship with fun loving female. Children/pets welcome, any age/race. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415215**

**GARY** 53yr old 6dt 2ins slim male looking for going out, dining, walks, friendship, maybe more. Lets see how it goes. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 405061**

**MALE** 54, seeks lady 45-54 for company, days out, theatre and having fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 410939**

**MALE,** slim build, 5' 9, looking for relationship with a lady with sense of humour, age and looks unimportant. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4715703**

**STU** 52, looking for a sincere women to share the long winter nights with. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4609904**

**MALE,** attractive, kind, loyal, gentle, no ties, looking for kind, gentle, small lady for friendship and LTR. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4711124**

**MARK** 39, 6ft 1ins, honest, reliable, seeking sexy, sensual female for discreet fun. **Tel No: 0905 670 0219 Box No: 416839**

**LANDSCAPE** builder, fit, kind, caring, seeks female for concrete relationship. **Tel No: 0905 670 0219 Box No: 410823**

**ACTION** man, 70 plus, open minded, GSOH, many interests, seeks like-minded lady. **Tel No: 0905 670 0219 Box No: 416739**

**PETER** 49yrs looking for relationship with lady willing to meet ASAP to help me move on. Must be car owner/driver. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 404041**

**NICE** looking solvent male, OHAC/business, lovely personality, very honest, loving, tactile, seeks LTR with attractive female. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 404393**

**ROMANTIC** fashionable, professional, attractive, solvent male, own business, reliable, tactile, loving, GSOH, lovely personality, seeks LTR with genuine female. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 408427**

**PROFESSIONAL** romantic, attractive male, fashionable, honest, loving, tactile, GSOH, seeking long term with genuine female. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 410239**

**PROFESSIONAL** male, N/S, own home/business, solvent, smart, attractive, romantic, loving personality, GSOH, seeking LTR with genuine female. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415353**

## Men seeking men

**69YR** old male C/D, very genuine, affectionate, and discreet, seeks mature male for meetings, B'ham, Coventry, Warks. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4747481**

**DAVE** genuine bi male 58, single discreet, seeks bi male for fun times. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4355756**

**MATURE** CD, GSOH, seeks honest, affectionate male for friendship, fun and frolics. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 416719**

**BI** male, slim, passive, seeks older bi M, 75-90, for gentle fun and friendship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4398888**

**SINGLE** male, likes mopeds, seeks elderly gent for rides in the countryside. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 415223**

**MALE** 61, seeks mature CD for fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4438 Box No: 414337**

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# the guide

# The Kaiser Chiefs in Newmarket

THE Kaiser Chiefs are coming to Newmarket Nights. Ahead of their show, we've pulled together some lesser-known facts about the band…

1: Before settling on their current name, the band were known as Parva, the name that they kept from 2000 till 2003. Not quite so snappy, is it?

2: The new and improved name was inspired by South African football club Kaizer Chiefs FC (spot the difference). The club had come to the Yorkshire lads' attention as it was the first team that Leeds United captain Lucas Radebe had played for.

3: Nick Hodgson, who left the band in 2012, was not just the drummer. He in fact also wrote the lyrics for the band's biggest hits.

4: Since the parting of the ways, Nick has gone on to other projects, including working with Cambridge's own singer-songwriter Alicia Catling.

5: The band's track record has been impressive, including a stack of hit singles including number one smash Ruby. In total, up to August last year they had sold an eye-popping 1.1 million singles, making them one among the Brit best-sellers of the noughties.

6: Their best song, though, remains the poppy, sparky, witty takedown of British boozing culture and big nights out I Predict A Riot.

7: Ricky Wilson underwent quite the transformation from choirboy-cheeked stocky stomper to lithe, slick TV star in time for his debut season as a chair-swivelling judge on The Voice.

8: The band visited Cambridge as the opening band on the NME Tour line-up of 2005 (supporting – and pretty much upstaging, from what I can remember - Killers, Futureheads and Bloc Party).

They also returned that year to headline Cambridge Junction, and have 2013 Newmarket Nights and Corn Exchange headline slots under their belt.

After their first visit Ricky said: "We loved Cambridge. It was brilliant. I walked around and felt like I had wasted my life, I should have been a bit brainier.
"I was even flicking my scarf over my shoulder like a proper student."

- **Kaiser Chiefs play Newmarket Nights on Friday, July 31. SOLD OUT.**

- The Jockey Club Lives' Newmarket Nights remaining shows:
August 7: SIR TOM JONES
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August 29th MCBUSTED – SUMMER SATURDAY LIVE: NEWMARKET RACECOURSE

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## MUSIC

● EACH summer, Cambridge Early Music runs two residential study weeks, one on Baroque music, the other on Renaissance music. Experienced instrumentalists and singers from all over the world attend the summer schools, whether (skilled) amateurs or aspiring professionals.
A series of performances run alongside the school – showcasing the performers and the music that they have been working on and perfecting.
Here are the first two recitals:

■ **THE PARLEY OF INSTRUMENTS: CANTATAS & CHAMBER MUSIC BY J S BACH AND HIS CIRCLE**
***Sunday, August 2 at 4pm, Sidney Sussex Chapel***.
This promises a varied feast of music for recorder, oboe, violin and continuo by Johann Sebastian Bach, and some of the friends and composers he admired. Tenor Daniel Auchincloss sings two cantatas.

■ **THE PARLEY OF INSTRUMENTS: J S BACH AND THE CONCERTO**
***Wednesday, August 5 at 8pm, Great St Mary's.***
A fascinating, varied examination of Bach's engagement with the concerto, this recital starts with the Suite in G minor for violin and strings of Johann Sebastian's cousin – Johann Bernhard Bach – which was the template for his own Suite in B minor.
**Find out more about Cambridge Early Music at CambridgeEarlyMusic.org. Tickets for all events from (01223) 847330 / CambridgeEarlyMusic.org.**

■ CAMBRIDGE Folk Festival runs from today (Thursday) until Sunday, August 2, at Cherry Hinton Hall Park. Tickets are sold out but for those unable to bag a ticket, BBC Radio 2 will be broadcasting live from the festival 3-6pm on Saturday afternoon and Sky Arts will be recording highlights for future transmission. Follow the event's social media feeds and official website which will be broadcasting exclusive backstage performances and interviews from artists at the festival. See cambridgefolkfestival.co.uk and its Facebook and Twitter feeds

Rapademic, J2 at Cambridge Junction, Thursday, July 30, 8pm. Tickets £5 (adv), from (01223) 511511 / junction.co.uk.

# Rapademic at The Junction

A QUITE unique collaborative event is taking place at The Junction's J2 tomorrow night. Rapademic is a showcase for Cambridge's emerging grime/hip hop/rap artists, with a feast of lyricists, MCs and beat-makers, but it's also much more.

The event is the culimination of a project by Cambridge-based charity Romsey Mill, which has been working with a group of youngsters between 16 and 21, who will be hosting the event. The group has been spending time with staff at The Junction learning everything they need to know about putting on an event, including planning, marketing and programming.

The acts – all fresh talent from Cambridge's thriving scene – include KD, Jr Fenz, Magicz, Tuckz and Trizzle, Shangooli, Screwface, Haze, Gwm, Joey Stacks, A Wrap, Street Inc, Radio Active, Acey, Swipz, TT, General T, Skeemz, Tevz, KC and 2Crud. The event is hosted by Inja, Julyah and Nathan Eyres and there will be DJ sets from DJ Dread, Beatz, DJ Shozzo, Deejaytee.

Karl Lewis is a youth worker with Romsey Mill – and also a musician, who will be performing on the night as KD – who runs the studio where the young performers go to create their music and learn that skills that will help them make the most of their ability.

**'It's the culimination of a project by charity Romsey Mill, which has been working with a group of youngsters between 16 and 21, who will be hosting the event'**

A brilliant community scheme? A venue chock-full of fresh young talent? Beats, words, DJs and more? Sounds like a winner to me.

**Rapademic, J2 at Cambridge Junction, Thursday, July 30, 8pm. Tickets £5 (adv), from (01223) 511511 / junction.co.uk.**


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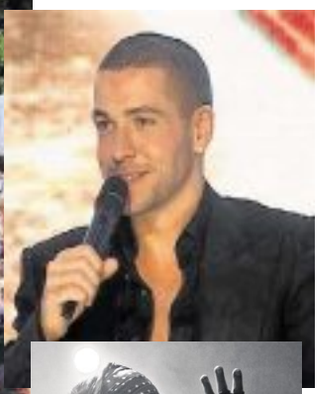

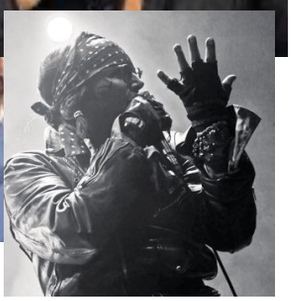

**TIME TO PARTY: Shayne Ward, above right, and Adam Ant, are among the big names taking to the stage in Cherry Hill Park**

THE countdown to Ely's Party on the Hill is now on – and *Ely News* is offering one lucky family the chance to win free tickets to the event.

The extravaganza is being held on Cherry Hill Park on Saturday, September 5 and will see four big names taking to the stage.

American RnB star Jocelyn Brown, 80's legend Adam Ant, dance sensations Black Box and X Factor winner Shayne Ward will all be performing.

But there is more to Party on the Hill than just live music.

A spokesman for Swing Your Pants, which is organising the event, said: "Party on the Hill is more than an evening concert, it's a full day of entertainment.

"The idea has always been to be a day of two halves. We wanted the first half, the family fun day, to be a day of fun and entertainment to keep the children happy without breaking their parents' bank.

"There will be free kids' shows from top entertainer Billy Banana. He will be doing three full shows throughout the afternoon. Billy will be bringing some traditional favourites; Punch and Judy, balloon modelling, comedy magic and a few surprises.

"To compliment the entertainment we will be having people face painting and doing glitter tattoos, again all free for children."

Princesses Anna and Elsa from the hit Disney film, *Frozen*, will also be attending.

The gates for Party on the Hill, which is being sponsored by N & C Glass and G's Fresh, and backed by Star Radio and *Ely News*, will open at 1pm, with the fun kicking off at 2pm.

Tickets are £32 for adults, £24 for people aged 13-17, £20 for children aged 5-12, 80p for children aged 4 and under, £54 for one adult and two under 18's and £84 for two adults and two under 18s.

For tickets or more details, visit swingyourpants.co.uk.

■ To be in with a chance of winning a family ticket worth £84, simply answer the following question: ***Name the two princesses from the Disney film, Frozen, who will be attending Party on the Hill.***

Email your answer, with your name and contact details, to: *jordan.day@cambridge-news.co.uk* or write to Ely News, 27, Market Place, Ely, CB7 4NP.

Entries close at midnight on Wednesday, August 12.

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## Take a step back in time with the Opus 17 Big Band

**THE Opus 17 Big Band will be performing in Ely to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Battle of Britain Day.**

**The Rotary Club of Ely has organised the concert to be held at Ely College on Saturday, September 5 – just 10 days before the actual anniversary.**

**A club spokesman said: "With the 75th anniversary of Battle of Britain Day fast approaching, the club will be treating everyone with the opportunity to attend their annual big band concert, with the original Opus 17 Big Band playing lots of the old favourite compositions by Glenn Miller, the Squadronnaires, and other bands of the period.**

**"Everyone attending is encouraged to dress in period clothing to match the sound of the time, and to create an adventure of pure nostalgia."**

**Tickets, priced at £14, are available from Burrows Bookshop in High Street Passage, Ely, or from J & J Wade Optometrists in the High Street.**

**Alternatively, call Derek on (01353) 661601.**

**Rotary Club of Ely's Opus 17 Big Band concert; Ely College on Saturday, September 5. Tickets are £14 and available by calling (01353) 661601.**

CLOSER TO HOME

● OUSEFEST – the extravaganza celebrating the Ouse Washes landscape and its communities – comes to an end on Sunday.
The festival has showcased the unique character of the area in a series of exciting, family events over the last fortnight.
Among the highlights still to come is a Words on Water poetry event at Welney's Wildfowl and Wetlands Centre on Thursday, July 30.
This includes an Ouse Washes themed poetry workshop with Fenland's Poet Laureate, Jonathan Totman, and prize-winning poet, Ian McEwen.
It's running from 1.30-4.30pm.
In the evening, Jonathan will then be hosting an evening poetry performance at the centre.
To book a place or for information, email jonathan.totman@gmail.com. For the full programme, visit ousewashes.org.uk/ousefest.

● ELY'S Babylon Film Club's next screening is on Friday, July 31.
Lucy (15), the 2014 English-language French science fiction action film written and directed by Luc Besson, is being shown at the Babylon Gallery, in Waterside, at 7pm.
New members and members' guests are welcome.
For information, email allisonmorris265@btinternet.com.

● MORE than 140 unique pieces of art are currently on show and sale in Ely.
Arts Development in East Cambridgeshire (ADeC) says this year's Babylon Summer Exhibition is its "biggest open submission exhibition to date".
The Babylon Gallery is currently filled with artwork hung from ceiling to floor – all of which is for sale.
The exhibition and sale is running until Sunday, August 16 and the gallery is open Tuesdays to Sundays from 12-4pm. Entry is free. Visit adec.org.uk for more details.

● SOHAM'S award-winning Viva Theatre Group is staging Half a Sixpence in the town this week.
The show is at The Brook from Wednesday, July 29 to Friday, July 31 by its cast of 11 to 17 year olds, who will then be heading to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in August to perform at Greenside.
Each performance starts at 7.30pm and tickets are £12.
For tickets, call (01353) 722228 or visit wegottickets.com.
They are also available from the Viva office in Churchgate Street, Soham.

● ARTISTS Ruth Blundell and Michael Edwards are exhibiting their work in Ely throughout July and August.
Their work is on show at the Old Fire Engine House, in St Mary's Street.
Entry is free. Call (01353) 662582.

UP WHERE SHE BELONGS: Lydia Fallon emerges at the top of the West Tower
Pictures: Richard Patterson

# 288 steps to

## Lydia Fallon makes her first visit to Ely Cathedral... and attempts to climb the magnificent towers

I MUST begin with a confession: in my 20-odd years living in Cambridge, I have never once visited Ely Cathedral.

This architectural tour de force is a revered film location for major Hollywood movies, but a building, shamefully, I'd only ever admired from afar; usually fleetingly while sitting aboard the Ely to Sheffield train during my university years.

I know, I know: it's a travesty, nay a crime, but, before you banish me forever, Fens folk, I am determined to put on my tourist hat and right this colossal wrong...

Arriving at the cathedral, known locally as the 'Ship of the Fens' because of its prominent position above the pancake-flat landscape, on a sunny summer's day, I immediately realise what I've been missing. With its spine-tingling beauty and gigantic proportions, it's the kind of building which makes you want to drop to your knees in awe.

The first sighting does, quite literally, take your breath away.

Wandering inside, the sound of angelic choral music echoing off the walls, the magic doesn't wane for a second. I look above and catch a glimpse of dazzling stained glass windows casting beams of colour across the vast space; I look behind and am greeted with the sight of gothic archways framing the elegant nave, the fourth longest of the English cathedrals. If Carlsberg did cathedrals . . .

I'm introduced to Mark Bradford, my tour guide for the afternoon, and he tells me we'll not only be exploring the Octagon Tower, rightly considered the jewel in the cathedral crown, but also the West Tower, which stands at a staggering 215 feet, dominating the Fenland landscape for miles around. I congratulate myself for remembering to wear sensible shoes!

Mark is a wealth of knowledge on the cathedral, aware of every single nook and cranny in this sprawling 537ft-long building. He's also got seriously impressive lungs, climbing hundreds and hundreds of steps up to 10 times a day during the tours. "It definitely keeps me fit," he chuckles.

We head first, via several narrow spiral staircases, to the gallery, then into the open air on the roof of the transept, before ducking under a narrow doorway (trying my best to fend off any feelings of claustrophobia) and up another staircase to the roof space of the Octagon Tower.

It's not the tallest of Ely's towers, but one of the most celebrated, and considered by many a masterpiece of medieval engineering. "It's the only UK building to be listed as one of the wonders of the medieval world," Mark tells me proudly.

For more information about Ely Cathedral, and to see the full programme of summer events, visit the website at elycathedral.org.

TOWER OF STRENGTH: Tour guide Mark Bradford knows the cathedral inside out

# Heaven

You can see why: it's breathtakingly beautiful, particularly when witnessed up close, peeking through the wooden shutters, painted with Victorian angels.

The unique idea of building an octagon surmounted by a lantern (the tower's crowning glory), came after the collapse of the original Norman tower in 1322. Built in wood and covered in lead, it took 18 years to build, and has an internal height of 142ft and a total weight of 400 tons. They don't do things in half measures at Ely Cathedral.

After plenty of 'Ooohs' and 'Ahhhs' – looking down from the Octagon roof to the nave below is quite something – we continue our journey up to the cathedral's West Tower. There's rather a lot of steps and, red-faced and wheezy, I have serious respect for Mark tackling the route so frequently.

Eventually we reach the top, and whether or not it is, as claimed, possible to see the tower from almost every church in the diocese, the views are so worth the climb.

It's a clear day, and you can see for miles (25 apparently), and Mark is even able to point out the Cambridge University Library tower on the horizon.

As I Instagram the view for all its worth, I realise how special it feels to be up here, but how small and insignificant I feel, too.

On our way back down I make a stop at the Stained Glass Museum, a little-known secret of Ely Cathedral which houses a national collection of some of the most stunning stained glass in the world. Offering a unique insight into the history of the art form, with examples from the 13th to 21st centuries, it is well worth a visit.

As my cathedral tour draws to a close (I highly recommend you finish with a post-climb treat at the Almonry; the date and walnut cake is legendary and, after that many steps, essential), I vow to ensure it's not another 26 years before I visit again.

Because that, dear reader, would be a crime of epic proportions.

## Ely Cathedral in numbers

**250,000** people visit Ely Cathedral every year.

There are **288** steps up to the West Tower.

The nave is **248ft** long.

The cathedral covers an area of **46,000** square feet.

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# Wheels

# Marshall Peugeot relocated to site nearby this week

ON Monday, July 27, Marshall Cambridge's Peugeot franchise on Newmarket Road relocated to premises formerly occupied by that of Nissan. Refurbishment work has now been completed to turn the showroom into a high-tech car display area with unrivalled Peugeot facilities.

The smart new showroom will follow Peugeot's latest corporate design incorporating the brand's latest contemporary look. Inside, the floor area will be large enough to display virtually every model in Peugeot's extensive range of new vehicles which covers virtually every aspect of the market.

There's an inviting customer waiting area with comfortable seating, wifi and hot and cold beverages on tap, an attractive new floor, Peugeot's latest corporate branding and a contemporary lighting rig to show Peugeot's latest model range to best effect. The most efficient, eco-friendly air conditioning and heating systems are set to be installed along with video screens and CCTV.

**CLASSICALLY BEAUTIFUL PUG: The all-new Peugeot 108 is at Marshall Peugeot**

The decor inside will be simply stunning while outside there will be a strikingly-attractive blue exterior with new signage. It will all make for a really pleasant environment in which to discuss the purchase of your next vehicle.

Of course, Peugeot's latest cars are the real stars, and the new showroom will enable Marshall Cambridge Peugeot to display an exciting array of models in an attractive setting, with something to match all needs and lifestyle requirements.

Peugeot is rapidly rising up the sales league, not least the all-new 108.

Available in three and five-door form, the all-new 108 city car has now arrived in time to be shown in the new showroom.

Other Peugeots include the popular, newly-revised 208 supermini range, the big-selling 2008 compact crossover and the hugely impressive new 308 along with the 3008 crossover, which includes a hybrid, the family 5008 MPV plus the 508 saloon and SW estate with efficient hybrid options.

Then there's the Bipper Tepee compact MPV, the Partner Tepee, the larger Expert Tepee people carrier and the curvaceous, highly desirable RCZ coupe. Don't forget too, that Peugeot also offers an excellent van range covering all possible bases.

General manager Adam Roe says: "On Sunday evening (July 26), we closed at 4.30pm and then transfer everything across to 699 Newmarket Road, right opposite Cambridge Airport. We're working hard to meet our deadline but everything is on track for this momentous occasion. By the way, our phone number will remain the same – (01223) 411442."

Adam continues: "Every member of our team is excited about the move which will place us in an excellent position to not only provide the highest levels of service to customers, but a truly superb car buying experience. We can offer outstanding deals on new cars, including Peugeot's long-running and extremely popular 'Just Add Fuel' promotion."

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Wheels

# Ten key factors for buyers of new cars

COLOURFUL: Colour is the third most important factor for new car buyers

NEW car buying platform carwow has conducted a national survey to discover the top 10 most important considerations of new car buyers.

Carwow data shows that August is the busiest research month for car buyers in the UK, ahead of new registrations in September. The survey, of UK-based Google users, shows that the top 10 most important considerations are:

1. Price
2. Fuel economy
3. Colour
4. Insurance grouping and cost
5. Safety
6. Performance
7. Manufacturer
8. Size
9. Quality
10. Engine size

James Hind, carwow CEO, said: "carwow is a business built on putting buyers first, by empowering customers with all the information they need before they buy a car. This is why we conducted the survey – to make sure we are providing the buyers with exactly what they want. We were most surprised to discover that performance, brand and design fall someway down the list of top considerations."

He added: "Colour, on the other hand, which barely gets a mention in traditional car reviews, is actually the third most important thing for new-car buyers."

Following the new survey results, carwow will launch a New-Car Buyers' Car of the Year awards based on the top 10 buyer considerations revealed in this survey. More details will be announced later in the year.

Meanwhile Dipstix, the website dedicated to helping motorists manage their cars, have found premium marques amongstheir least expensive to repair, whilst some makers of low priced cars, rank amongst the most expensive.

Their analysis was based on a first year's database of over 330 repairs, on more than 130 types of vehicle, from 33 manufacturers.

The most frequent repair quotes were for Ford and Vauxhall, who together accounted for 23.5 per cent of all enquiries. At the other end of the spectrum, repairs were quoted for three Dodge cars and even an Aston Martin Vantage!

Against an average repair quote of £286, premium makers Mercedes and BMW fared surprisingly well. They were respectively 9th and 10th with average quotes of £211 and £209 as Lexus came in a creditable 5th too, at just £192.

Full details on the poll are available at *dipstix.com*.

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# EMG sets the stage for launch of all-new MX-5

EMG Motor Goup held an MX-5 Launch Event at its Milton Road dealership on Sunday which proved to be a great success, according to those who attended.

Stuart Roy, the Norfolk-based artist who designed Mazda's winning wrap shown on the new MX-5 pictured here, said: "The Sunday went very well. The wrap was put on to a pre-production car and they don't want that version to get out, so it was taken away in the afternoon.

"We've ordered one of the new MX-5s – my wife wants to buy one, she's looking forward to it arriving in September. I've driven the new one – it's grown up in the sense of the interior but it's kept the character of the car drive-wise."

Ben Saul, EMG's group marketing manager, said: "The event was very successful: there were 40 couples attending, about 80-odd people, and we have 13 confirmed orders for the new model for the MkIV, some of them were Mazda MX-5 Owners Club UK, so it was a great success for us."

EMG is expecting the new MX-5 to arrive in the showroom on August 29, the Bank Holiday weekend.

Call (01223) 472000 or go to *emgmotorgoup.com* for details.

**WINNING STYLE: Mazda's MkIV MX-5 at EMG with Mazda sales manager David Hazelden, left, Stuart Roy and team** Picture: Dave Harwood


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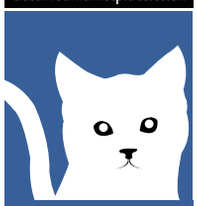

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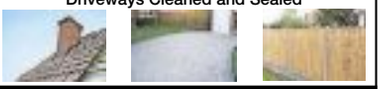

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**Minster Place and The Gallery, Ely**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC)**
**ORDER 2015/309**

Is to stop any vehicle from proceeding along Minster Place and The Gallery, Ely as lies between High Street and Back Hill.

The alternative route for vehicles is via High Street – Forehill – Broad Street – Back Hill and vice versa.

The Order is made to facilitate carriageway maintenance works which are being carried out on or near this highway and it will come into operation on 10 August 2015 and continue until these works have finished or on the 9 February 2016 whichever is the earlier.

It is anticipated that these works will be carried out between 10 August and 21 August 2015.

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**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC)**
**ORDER 2015/310**

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The Order is made to facilitate essential maintenance works which are being carried out on or near this highway and it will come into operation on 8 August 2015 and continue until these works have finished or on the 7 February 2016 whichever is the earlier.

It is anticipated that these works will be carried out overnight between 23:00hrs 8 August and 09:00hrs 9 August 2015.

Access will be maintained to properties affected by these orders.

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ATHLETICS

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All of the sessions, which run from 7pm to 8pm on Monday evenings, are held by United Kingdom Athletics-qualified coaches who are experienced runners in their own right.

It is hoped that by the end of the 10 weeks, participants will be able to run at least 5k.

They will also be given advice on footwear and clothing, and shown stretches to help them stay injury free.

The course is open to anyone over the age of 16, although those under 16 are welcome to try running with the club's junior section.

For more information, contact the club's Lionel Smith via beginners@elyrunners.co.uk.

ON YOUR MARKS: Runners take to the course in the fun run at the annual Littleport 10K

# Holley storms to Littleport 10K victory

**PAUL Holley finished over a minute clear of the field to take victory in this year's Littleport 10K race and fun run.**

**Newmarket Joggers' Holley completed the course in a time of 34min 15sec to take the win.**

**Simon Fraser, of St Albans Striders, was second in 35.51 and Ryston Runners' Warren Armstrong was just six seconds behind in third.**

**Craig Holgate led home Ely Runners, coming seventh after clocking a time of 36.43.**

**Holgate's clubmates Alistair Steele (37.55) and Stephen Howard (38.59) both finished inside the top 20.**

**The women's race was won by Haverhill Running Club's Sian-Marie Lucas, who came home in a time of 40.40.**

**She was just under a minute clear of Ramsey Road Runners' Lisa Marriott (41.30), with Louise Blake, of Nene Valley Harriers, third in 45.37.**

CRICKET

# Palmer hits winning six for Chatteris

ANTHONY Palmer hit the winning runs as Chatteris secured a two-wicket victory over Fulbourn in Mr Cricket CCA Senior League, Division One.

The captain struck a maximum to get his team to 171 for 8 with three balls to spare.

Palmer ended on 32 not out and there were also contributions from opener Kurt Cunningham (38), Ben Hollis (30) and Daniel Martell (33).

Andrew Wool and Peter Munns had earlier taken two wickets each in Fulbourn's 169 for 5.

**Wilburton** completed the double over Wisbech III thanks to a seven-wicket home success in Junior League, Division 2N.

The hosts fielded first and dismissed the visitors for 147.

Paul Dewey claimed 3 for 16 during a good spell when five Wisbech wickets fell for 36 runs, with Ollie Sellars (2 for 24) and James Seymour (2 for 17) also having success with the ball.

Lee Newton and John Falconer (42) gave Wilburton an excellent start with the bat by forging a 69-run partnership.

And Lee Newton carried his bat as he put on an unbroken 61-run stand with brother Ryan Newton (22 not out) to get the home side to 151 for 3.

# Sayers in GB squad for World Championships

JAVELIN thrower Goldie Sayers has been named in the Great Britain squad to compete at the World Athletics Championships in China in August.

The former King's Ely student (below), who is on her way back after a long-term injury, is part of a 62-strong team heading to Beijing from August 22 to 30.

Sayers competed in her first javelin event of the year last week, throwing

59.53m at the Loughborough EAP Open Meeting and then following it with a world championship-qualifying mark of 62.09m at the Anniversary Games last weekend.

"It was only my second competition, I feel off of a full run up there is a lot more to come," said Sayers after the event at London's Olympic Stadium.

"With another month I can throw even further.

"It was lovely being back in the stadium after such a bad injury and surgery with complications and a really long recovery. I felt I did myself justice."

# Peacock: Browne is not invincible

JONNIE Peacock may have lost out once again to American rival Richard Browne, but the sprinter insists no-one is invincible in the world of Paralympic sport.

Browne has been untouchable since 2013, and Sunday's Sainsbury's Anniversary Games triumph over Peacock by 0.06 seconds in the T44 100m was the latest of 23 straight victories for the American.

But Doddington-based Peacock is adamant he is making up ground on Browne, and is confident he can overturn the deficit ahead of the World Championships in Doha later this year.

"At the end of the day there will always come a time when someone who is unbeaten is going to get beat – I was unbeaten in 2012," said the 22-year-old Paralympic and world champion.

"I'm not worried. For me, today wasn't about racing him, it was trying to race myself and put down a really good time, but with the conditions that was not to be.

"It was a bit of a hit and miss performance really. I've got to look at both the positives and negatives – I got the first 10 wrong, and the last 20 wrong.

"But that race really stands me in good stead for the future as from 20 to 50 I've never seen myself run that quick before.

"So if I can put that alongside one of my starts from last year, I think I'll be in really good shape.

"Paralympic sport has moved on hugely from five years ago – thanks to everyone who turned up because the noise they made was insane."

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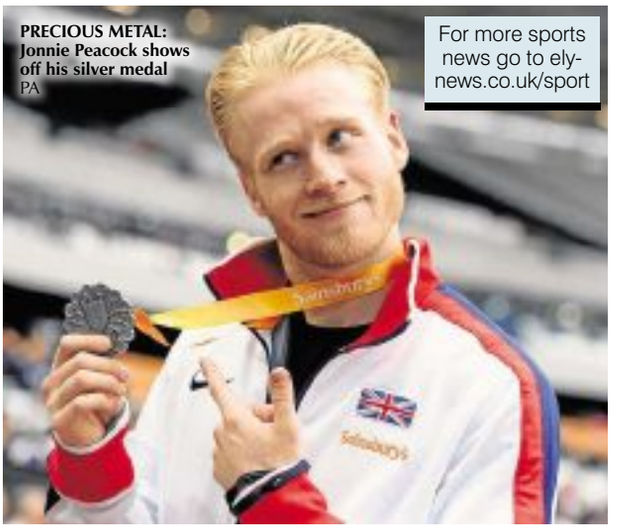

PRECIOUS METAL: Jonnie Peacock shows off his silver medal PA

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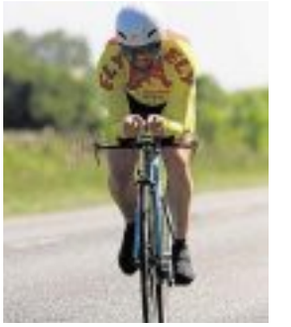

RECORD BREAKER: Rob Golding

# New record for Golding

ROB Golding set a new record at the EDCA 100 on the B100/4 course at Attleborough.

The Ely & District Cycling Club member came home in 4hr 1min 41sec, beating a club record previously held by Alan Newark which had stood at 4:05.08.

Matthew Eley and Colin Whitechurch took part in the Islington Cycling Club 10 on the F20/10 course, with the former finishing fourth.

BRIDGE

**Ely Bridge Club results**

**Tuesday, July 21 – nine pairs:** 1st Barry Lowe & Paul Bond 63, 2nd Coralie Woolf & Robin Martin 60, 3rd Dorothy White & Sandra McBryde 51, 4th Jacquie Hide & David Newman 49.

**Monday, July 27 – 21 pairs:** 1st Rosina Floate & Phil Dowd 66, 2nd Myra & Peter Burrows 63, 3rd Dave Barnes & Peter Robinson 63, 4th Jack & Bobbie Wood 61.

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# ELY SPORT

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VICTORIOUS: Jordan Gill (right) won on points in Derby
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## Gill targets title after Gachechiladze win

**Boxing**

JORDAN Gill maintained his unbeaten record with a points victory over George Gachechiladze at the Derby Arena last Saturday.

The Chatteris boxer had been training at Sheffield's renowned Ingle Gym in the build-up to the fight, along with doing extra strength and conditioning work at Hallam University in the city.

Gill has also invested in a nutritionist to advise him on how to fuel his body in order to enhance his training, performance and recovery as he seeks to establish himself as one of the top super-featherweights in the country.

Those preparations stood the 21-year-old in good stead as he got ready to face Georgian opponent Gachechiladze, who had recorded nine knockout victories in his homeland.

Gill dominated the contest though, winning all six rounds on referee Shaun Messer's scorecard to triumph 60-54.

The result means Gill extends his unbeaten record to 14 wins from as many bouts and is targeting a shot at the English title, which could come against Southern Area champion Jamie Speight later this year.

"He was a tough opponent," said Gill.

"My hands are so bruised so his head must be too.

"I have now won all 14 of my professional fights, the English title is next.

"I'd love to see the arena full of my supporters from Fenland and beyond."

# Theobald makes his mark for Ely

**Football**

BRADY Stone believes there are more players like Alex Theobald capable of making an impact at Ely's level.

Striker Theobald netted both goals for the Robins last Friday as they beat Soham 2-1 in the derby clash at the Unwin Ground.

It was his first outing for Ely since stepping up from Kershaw League, Senior A side Fordham, and boss Stone is keen to encourage more players to make the step up to the Thurlow Nunn League, First Division.

"He scored 40-odd goals for Fordham last year and he's only 18," said Stone.

"There are so many good players out there and it's whether they want to step up and do the travelling.

"It's nice to see young lads having a go.

"We've got an under-18s now and we'll give anyone a chance at this club.

"If they're good enough, they'll get a chance and if they play well, they'll keep the shirt."

Several fine saves from Soham keeper Harry Reynolds kept Ely at bay, but Theobald netted twice in three minutes to put the home side two goals up at the interval.

Jordan Gent's header clawed one back for Soham inside the first 10 minutes of the second half, but a well-contested game ended on something of a sour note when the Greens' Josh Townsend was sent off after being deemed to have denied a clear goals-coring opportunity.

Nevertheless, Stone was delighted with his side's showing.

"For the first 45 I thought we were fantastic," said Stone.

"Their keeper has made some fantastic saves and it could have been four or 5-0 in the first half, the way we played.

"Full credit to them second half, they made it more of a game and came back into it, but I thought we still defended really well and created a few chances."

Soham boss Steve Fallon felt the match showed up areas his side need to improve on ahead of the new Ryman League, North Division season.

"We had a couple of trialists in and looked at things, and it didn't work," said Fallon.

"But with it not working, performances individually were also poor.

We tried three centre-backs and it didn't work and the two wing-backs struggled to get forward.

"We had a little bit of a talk at half time, changed it round a bit and had a bit of a go, and go on to do well second half.

"You get the positives from it, we learnt a lot from it and we've got to carry it on."


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